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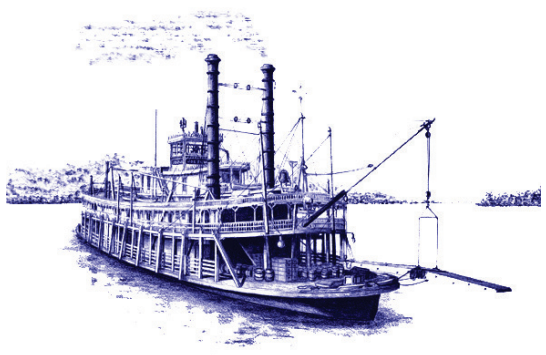

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Jail project very close to 'crunch time'

BY BOB DEMAREE

County officials are still waiting for the contractor to turn over occupancy of the new Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center and Commissioner Bobby Little said at Thursday's Commissioners meeting "we are getting very close to crunch time" when the new jail will finally be completed.

"There are a few problems with the controls but nothing major," and some other final issues to be resolved, said Little. "It's nothing but positive from here on out. I'm looking forward to telling the day when we do get occupancy but we are getting close. It will be a nice establishment when it is complete and it will be efficient."

When construction of the $45 million jail began, it was initially anticipated the county might have possession by spring of this year. In August, John Painter, the owner's representative for the project, said he anticipated the county would have full occupancy by early November, but he had also noted that with construction beginning during the summer of 2021 during the COVID-19 pandemic that there have been supply chain issues that have slowed completion of the facility past the original anticipated dates.

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Nights Before Christmas

Candlelight tour features 6 residences as well as historic sites

BY BOB DEMAREE

Nights Before Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes has become a holiday tradition in Madison and a great attraction during the holiday season that not only features six privates residences but also historical sites.

"There's so much that's unique about it," said Terri Jones Suiter, coordinator of this year's tour. "You've got the atmosphere of Madison itself. You've got that it's Christmas time" with the beautiful lights of Christmas. "It all works together, plus you get to go inside some of these historic home residences that people never get to see."

Suiter, a 1975 Madison Consolidated High School graduate, grew up in Madison but lived 38 years in Charleston, South Carolina, before moving back in the spring of this year. However, she returned home many of those years for a Thanksgiving holiday that also included the homes tour. "I love the Christmas tour," she said.

The tour begins this weekend on Friday and Saturday and continues next weekend Friday, Dec. 1, and Saturday, Dec. 2. Tours run 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on both Fridays and 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. on both Saturdays.

Over the past 41 years — including this year — the tour has featured more than 200 private homes.

Two of the homes on this year's tour are Folk Victorian style homes that started out as prefab kit houses delivered as panels by railway from Chicago. The home at 222 West Second St., owned by Kevin and Lisa Watkins, and at 312 Poplar St., owned by Carrie Parris, and four others in the same block were contracted between May and November of 1891 as mail order homes by William Trow, who was owner of Trow's Perfection Flour where the Crystal Beach pool house now stands. They have commonly been referred to as "Sears Homes" but these prefab homes existed almost 30 years before Sears Homes were available. Both the Watkins home and the Parris home have undergone extensive rehabilitation.

Photos by Bob Demaree

The statue of an angel appears to look down as Lisa Cutshaw, a board member of Historic Madison Inc., decorates the sanctuary at St. Michael the Archangel, in preparation for the Nights Before Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes. The church building was donated to HMI in 1993 by the Indianapolis Archdiocese. This year is the first time since 2014 that St. Michael has been on the tour of homes. There are plans for tours once each month from May through October. Also, on Sunday, March 10, there will be the Irish-themed open house as part of an early celebration of St. Patrick's Day.

Other private homes include:

- The Wade home, 416 West Main St.: This home has been owned since 2017 by Glenna Hanks Wade who has continued to preverve the historical value of the home built prior to the Civil War in 1840. It also has a two-story addition on the right side added in the 1870s that includes a formal living room on the first floor and the main bedroom on the second floor.
- The Hollinger Home, 310 Broadway St.: This home, owned by Ron and Suzie Hollinger, was built in 1860 and was originally the Broadway Livery that once housed horses owned by Madison residents. Since then, it has had many other uses including a mechanic's garage and Thompson Glass Dairy Bottling Company.

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David Cart, director of preservation and maintenance for Historic Madison Inc., prepares the ancient nativity scene that has been with St. Michael the Archangel throughout its history, given to HMI at the time the church building was donated in 1993 by the Indianapolis Archdiocese. The nativity was shown in the church every year since it arrived in Madison around the time the Civil War started. The nativity will be shown as part of the church tour for the Nights Before Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes.

Bob Demaree

Madison Salvation Army Captain Janelle Cleaveland collects donations from a table of patrons at Friday's Jingle and Mingle event to kickoff the 2023 Red Kettle fundraising drive. Cleaveland and Josh Wilber were competing to see who could collected the most money toward the Salvation Army's $178,000 goal.

Red kettle drive targets $178,000

BY BOB DEMAREE

With a goal of $178,000 this year, the Salvation Army of Madison held its Red Kettle Kickoff with a Jingle and Mingle event on Friday.

"You might think holy moly that's a lot of money. It is, but we do a lot of good with that money," said Madison Salvation Army Captain Janelle Cleaveland. "We help a lot of people. Each month we serve over 2,000 meals through our Lord's Kitchen feeding program. In the winter, we are the warming shelter for everyone who is living on the streets and has nowhere else to go."

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Holiday closings, ceremonies scheduled

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Government offices in the city Madison, town of Hanover and Jefferson County will all be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday and both Madison and Hanover will hold kickoffs to their holiday seasons with lighting ceremonies on Friday.

The annual "Light Up Merry Madison!" is at 6 p.m. on Friday at the Broadway Fountain. There will be a countdown for switching on the city's holiday lights with Santa Claus, the mayor and an announcement of a Kindergarten-Fifth grade Christmas card competition.

There will be caroling with Santa at 5 p.m. on Friday at the Madison-Jefferson County Public Library, 420 West Main St., that will

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Henry deputy injured during pursuit of Bedford woman

BY PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

A Bedford woman is facing felony wanton endangerment, fleeing and drug charges in connection with a police chase that sent a Henry County Deputy Sheriff to the hospital on Monday, Nov. 13, after his patrol vehicle crashed just outside of New Castle, Kentucky.

Wendi Gail Jones, 42, of Bedford, Kentucky, faces charges of first-degree wanton endangerment of a police officer, first-degree fleeing/evading police by motor vehicle, DUI suspended first offense, first-degree possession of methamphetamine second offense, no registration plates, speeding 13 mph or more over the speed limit and failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance.

At approximately 2:18 p.m. on Monday, a Kentucky State Police Post 5 trooper observed a Honda car with an illegible license plate traveling on Interstate 71. When the vehicle exited the interstate at exit 28, the trooper activated his emergency equipment and attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle. The operator of the vehicle, who was later identified as Wendi Jones, failed to stop and continued on.

While pursuing the fleeing vehicle, the trooper's vehicle struck a Henry County Deputy Sheriff's vehicle near the intersection of KY 146 and KY 1606. The deputy's vehicle lost control, left the roadway and traveled into a ditch. Due to the operator's failure to stop and dangerous driving behavior, the trooper conducted legal intervention to attempt to stop the vehicle and the Honda also left the roadway and struck a tree.

The damaged patrol vehicle of Henry County Deputy Sheriff Kyle Stewart after he crashed after joining a Kentucky State Police pursuit of a Bedford, KY, woman on Monday, Nov. 13 near New Castle, KY. The deputy was hospitalized but has since been released to go home.

Henry County Sheriff's Office Photo

At the conclusion of the pursuit, Jones and a passenger in the car, Brandon Skinner, of Milton, Kentucky, were taken into custody. Jones was lodged in the Oldham County Detention Center while Skinner was cited for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia and released on his own recognizance. Henry County District Court has scheduled an arraignment for Jones on Nov. 15 and she remains in custody under a $45,000 cash bond.

Henry County Deputy Kyle Stewart, a K9 officer, was transported to a Louisville hospital with injuries but has since returned home where he is recovering.

"Every day across this nation law enforcement risk their lives to protect others whether it be the call itself or responding to the call," Sheriff Perry posted on Facebook. "Yesterday one of our own was injured assisting KSP on an eluding vehicle. Help us pray for Deputy Stewart to have a speedy recovery."

Sheriff Perry also commented about the increasing hazards that drivers eluding police pose not only to law enforcement but also public safety.

"Until people are held accountable and something is done to them, it's not going to stop," said the sheriff.

SUSPECT ARRESTED IN CARROLL COUNTY

Elsewhere, troopers from Kentucky State Police Post 5 arrested a Louisville man on Nov. 10 after he allegedly struck two vehicles on I-71 in Oldham County and fled north before being apprehended in Carroll County.

KSP charged 19-year-old Christopher Carpenter with leaving the scene of an accident, failure to report a traffic accident, driving on a suspended license, improper passing and multiple counts of criminal mischief.

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Former SRO Armstrong arraigned on child seduction charges

BY BOB DEMAREE

An initial hearing was held Monday afternoon in Jefferson Circuit Court for Timothy Lee Armstrong following his arrest Thursday on eight felony charges for alleged child seduction and other related charges.

Timothy Lee Armstrong

Dearborn County/Ohio County Circuit Judge Aaron Negangard presided after being appointed special judge in place of Jefferson Circuit Judge D.J. Mote. Negangard read charges alleging that Armstrong, 63, of Madison, had inappropriate sexual behavior with a 12-year-old boy while serving as a school resource officer for Madison Consolidated Schools.

The charges stem from a 15-month investigation led by Indiana State Police Det. Jason Duncan that Armstrong allegedly had inappropriate communication with a male juvenile student on multiple occasions between April 2022 and August 2022.

Armstrong's attorney Jennifer Hinkebein Culotta denied all charges and asked for bond to be set at $5,000, citing Armstrong's lack of past criminal history, that he has remained in the community during the 15-month investigation and is not a flight risk, the fact he was raised and lived in the community all his life, and served the community in many capacities including Mayor of Madison.

Negangard said the fact that Armstrong is a former Mayor of Madison "makes it even more troubling in the matter of the allegations," noting Armstrong was a person of authority, not only when he was in that official capacity, but as a School Resource Officer, the position in which he was serving when allegations surfaced that led to the investigation.

Negangard set bond at $10,000 surety and $25,000 cash.

Jackson County prosecutor Jeffrey Chalfant, serving as special prosecutor in the case after being requested by Jefferson County prosecutor David Sutter, asked that Armstrong have no contact with the alleged victim as a bond condition and Negangard agreed.

The charges Armstrong is facing are: Attempted Child Seduction and Attempted Promotion of Child Sexual Trafficking, both Level 3 felonies; Vicarious Sexual Gratification, a Level 4 felony; Child Solicitation and Attempted Child Exploitation, both Level 5 felonies; Official Misconduct-3 Counts, all Level 6 felonies; and Inappropriate Communication with a Child-3 Counts, all Class B misdemeanors.

Negangard set an omnibus hearing for Jan. 22, 2024, a pretrial conference for Jan. 31 and a jury trial for March 18, 2024.

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY JAIL

LODGINGS

Nov.16

Kasey Ray Norman, 31, on a Jefferson County warrant for failure to appear and to serve 61 days consecutive on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

Nov. 17

Dakota Mckenzie Gray, 28, to serve 142 and 67 days, consecutive, on court-ordered sentencings. No bond.

Jessica D. Jackson, 41, on a Clark County, Indiana, warrant for failure to appear. No bond.

Devin Carl Rakes, 25, for Domestic Battery and Criminal Confinement, both Level 6 felonies. No bond.

Kole Kristopher Woodfill, 24, on a Jefferson County bench warrant, bond $5,000 cash, and on a 15-day hold, bond dismissed.

Nov. 18

Nathaniel Paul Love, 43, for Possession of Cocaine or Narcotic Drug, a Level 6 felony. Bond $1,000 cash.

Amanda Taylor, 32, for Unlawful Possession of Use of a Legend Drug and Neglect of a Dependent, both Level 6 felonies; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. No bond.

Jacob Taylor, 24, Possession of Cocaine or Narcotic Drug and Neglect of a Dependent, both Level 6 felonies. No bond.

Iris Elaine Winter, 31, to serve two days jail, consecutive, on a court-ordered weekend sentence. No bond.

Nov. 19

Eden Michelle Jacquart, 35, for Domestic Battery, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

Jessica Lynn Snell, 28, for Invasion of Privacy, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

Nov. 20

Dayton Lee Wilson, 21, Sellersburg, Indiana, on a warrant for failure to appear (contributing to the delinquency of a minor and criminal trespass). Bond $250 cash.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SUPERIOR AND CIRCUIT COURT

SENTENCINGS

Nov. 15

Christian Kennedy, 22, Hanover, pleaded guilty to amended charge of Voluntary Manslaughter, a Level 2 felony as lesser included offense. Sentenced to 25 years executed at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 418 days served and 5 years suspended to probation.

Tiersa Blaze Adams, 20, Madison, pleaded guilty to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine-28 or more grams, a Level 3 felony. Sentenced to 5 years at Indiana Department of Correction, with credit for 101 days served, and 4 years and 264 days suspended to supervised probation.

Chas Brashears, 32, Branchville, Indiana, to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine-5-10 grams, a Level 5 felony as lesser included charge. Sentenced to 2 ½ years at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed, with credit for 155 days served plus $589 in fees and court costs.

Fern Mechelle Blevins, 42, Madison, to an amended charge of Dealing in Methamphetamine-1-5 grams, a Level 4 felony. Sentenced to 8 years at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 120 days served and 7 years and 245 days suspended to supervised probation.

Dayton Kyle Turner, 19, Madison, to an amended charge of Theft, a Level 5 felony. Sentenced to 3 years at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 48 days served and 2 years and 317 days suspended to supervised probation.

Leslie Robert Webster, 45, Madison, to an amended charge of Resisting Law Enforcement, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 90 days jail, fully executed, with credit for 18 days served plus $239 in fees and court costs. Warrant issued after defendant allegedly failed to report to jail to serve sentence.

William A. Rice, 30, Madison, for Invasion of Privacy, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 32 days jail, served, plus $239 in fees and court costs.

Nov. 16

Tanner M. Williams, 21, Hanover, to an amended charge of Operating While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail with credit for 2 days served and 178 days suspended to non-reporting probation plus $389.50 in fees and court costs and driver's license suspended for 120 days.

James A. Goodin, Scottsburg, Indiana, to an amended charge of Intimidation With a Deadly Weapon, a Level 5 felony. Sentenced to 2,190 days at Indiana Department of Correction with no credit for time served and 1,095 days executed with 1,095 suspended to supervised probation consecutive to revocation of 1,080 days parole on prior domestic battery conviction plus $589 in fees and court costs.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Nov. 15

Trevor D. Elston to Trevor D. Elston and Mackenzie Elston, approximately 8.9 acres at 6121 North Dow Ridge Road, Madison.

Trevor D. Elston to Trevor D. Elston and Mackenzie Elston, approximately 83.5 acres at 5501 and 5100+ North Dow Ridge Road, Madison.

Bilz Bros LLC to Bilz Bros LLC, 2007 Lanier Drive and 1040 Pinehust Avenue, Madison.

Riverside Group LLC to Aditi Marudwar, Sarathkumar Balsamy, Sankalp Pampattiwar and Shruti Bandewar, 515 West Street, Madison.

Carroll Robert McDowell to Rough Riders LP, six parcels totaling approximately 178 acres at 5005 North Griffith Lane, Madison.

Robert Long to Buddydale LLC and Crafty83 LLC, 140 South Sycamore Drive, Hanover.

Scott Lynch Realty Inc and OM Madison Realty LLC, 407 Clifty Drive, Madison.

Indiana-Kentucky Land Holdings LLC Bay Series 1 to Michael J. Zearing, approximately 2.9 acres at 5701 South Hanover Saluda Road, Hanover.

Michael J. Zearing to Jennifer Rodgers, approximately 2.9 acres at 5701 South Hanover Saluda Road, Hanover.

Christy L. Warnke to Christy L. Warnke and Verner Moorefield, 184 Hillcrest Driver, Madison.

Nov. 16

John Green and Lenora Green to Pamela J. Green and Aaron K. Green, four parcels totaling approximately 77 acres at 6666 and 6742 West 500 North, Madison.

Holly A. Howard and Holly A. Klaster (also known) to Thomas Keith Howard, 2 acres at 15362 West State Road 256, Scottsburg.

Ronald L. Holcraft to Jeffrey Lynn Holcroft (trustee), Jeffrey L. Holcroft (trust) and Jeffrey L. Holcroft Family Trust, 2.1 acres at 1920 Clifty Hollow Road, Madison.

Marion Skirvin to Danisa Properties LLC, 325 Hendricks Street, Madison.

Bad apple Macs LLC to Crimson Oak Properties LLC, 605 West Main Street, Madison.

Christopher Ray Hatfield to Duke Energy Indiana LLC, part of a 1.7 acre parcel at 4243 South Carmel Road, Hanover.

Lonnie Matthew Hatfield to Duke Energy Indiana LLC, part of a 48.3 acre parcel at 4243 South Carmel Road, Hanover.

Roger L. Williams to Roger L. Williams (trustee) and Roger L. Williams (revocable trust), three parcels totaling approximately 8 acres at 3011 East Geyman Hill Road, Madison.

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Precipitation since last published: .22
Precipitation, November 2023: .22
Precipitation, 2023: 43.23
Barometer: 29.92, Rising
River Level at Clifty Creek: 421.57, Steady
Forecast: Wednesday: Mostly cloudy 47/Low 31; Thursday (Thanksgiving): Mostly sunny High 54/Low 32; Friday: Cloudy High 50/Low 30.

LOTTERY

INDIANA
Hoosier Lotto: 3-9-12-26-36-42 (11/18). Next Estimated Jackpot: $43.2 million. Next Drawing (11/22).
Cash Five: 4-8-12-21-38 (11/19)
Cash 4 Life: 3-19-21-40-48 CB: 2 (11/19)

KENTUCKY
Cash Ball: 11-12-24-29 CB 2 (11/15)
Kentucky 5 Extra: 8-9-20-24-33 (11/15)
Lucky For Life: 5-6-15-20-48 LB: 5 (11/15)

MEGAMILLIONS
6-12-31-33-69 MB: 17, MP x3 (11/17). Next Jackpot: $289 million. Next Drawing (11/21)

POWERBALL
34-50-51-61-67 PB: 20, PP 2 (11/18). Next Estimated Jackpot: $280 million. Next Drawing (11/28)

POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY
27-32-40-45-47 PB: 8 (11/18). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to $10 million. Next Drawing (11/20)

BIRTHDAYS

Editor's Note: Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

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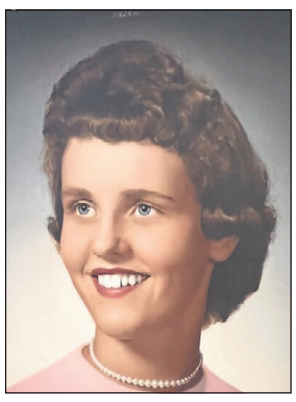
OBITUARIES

Barbara Ann Perkinson Johnson



Barbara Ann Perkinson Johnson, age 81, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on May 14, 1942 in Madison, Indiana. She was the loving daughter of the late Raymond and Edna Mae Shoots Perkinson. She resided all of her life in Madison and was a 1960 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School. On January 20, 1961, she was united in Marriage to Donald O. Johnson at the First Christian Church in downtown Madison. This happy union of 44 years was blessed with a son, Richard and daughters, Allison and Summer Brooke. She had worked at Reliance Electric Company and J.C. Penney Department Store until she became a mother then she was a stay at home mom. She was a member of the Rykers Ridge Baptist Church. She enjoyed her cats, watching old westerns, working in her flower and vegetable gardens, an Elvis Presley fan and loved her animals. Barbara died on Saturday, November 18, 2023, at 12:26 p.m. at the Water's of Clifty Falls in Madison, Indiana.

Barbara will be missed by her loving son, Richard "Rick" Johnson and his wife, Kim of Madison, IN; her daughters, Allison Johnson Dressler and her husband, Randy of Newport News, VA, Summer Brooke Johnson of Clarksville, IN; her grandchildren, Nicholas Alan Dressler and his wife, Haley, Anna Elizabeth Johnson and her fiancée, Brian Broad, and Emma Lee Dressler; several half siblings survive. She was preceded in death by her father, Raymond Perkinson; her mother, Edna Mae Shoots Perkinson Wainscott; her step father; her infant brother, Raymond Allen Perkinson, and her husband of 44 years, Donald O. Johnson.

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday, November 22, 2023, at 12:30 p.m., by Pastor Richard "Skee" Jankosky at the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North U.S. Hwy 421 near Madison. Interment will follow in the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North U.S. 421 in Madison.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Jefferson County Animal Shelter or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the American Diabetes Association. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Dennis Wayne Lyons

Dennis Wayne Lyons, age 74, of Hanover, Indiana entered this life on October 13, 1949 in LaGrange, Kentucky. He was the loving son of the late James William and Cleata Eleanor Lockridge Lyons. Dennis was raised in Jefferson County and graduated from Southwestern High School in 1967. Early in life, Dennis worked for Conn Organ and Cummins Engine. Dennis was united in marriage to Linda Nay and this union was blessed with one daughter, Julie. In May 1978, Dennis was united in marriage to Jan Douglas Snelling and this union of ten years blessed Dennis with two step children, Jolynna Snelling King and Jeff Snelling that he helped to raise. In September of 1987, he joined the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, where he remained a member of the Painters Local 47 until he retired on November 1st, 2011. Dennis was united in marriage on March 16, 1996 to Cheryl "Sherry" Ann Cord in Carrollton, Kentucky. This happy union of 27 years was blessed to blend two families together adding two step children, Marci and Tony to his life. Dennis was a member of the Madison Moose Lodge No. 765. He enjoyed caring for his cattle, hauling cattle for others, hunting, fishing, and playing cards. He was a people person and loved to socialize with his family and friends. He was a devoted husband, dad, and grandfather. Dennis died on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at the Norton King's Daughters' Hospital in Madison, Indiana.

A LOVING FAMILY

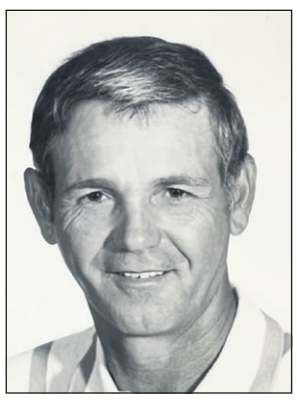
Dennis will be missed by his loving wife, Cheryl "Sherry" A. Cord Lyons of Hanover, Indiana; his daughter, Julie Tuck and her husband Toby of Woodward, Oklahoma; his grandchildren, Stetson Tuck and his wife Bobbi and Tyler Tuck; his great grandchildren, Schaylee and Laria Tuck; his step daughter, Marci Park and her husband Ryan of Madison, Indiana; his step son, Tony Hulman and his companion, Lisa Kolman, of Hanover, Indiana; his step granddaughter, Laci Schirmer and her companion, Corey Peck; his step great grandchildren, Rilyn Kirkland and Finnley Peck; his sisters, Patricia Consley and her husband Larry of Madison, Indiana, Beverly Lyons of Louisville, Indiana, Debora Mitchell and her husband Rev. Rollin of Carthage, Indiana; his brother, James Allen Lyons of Madison, Indiana; and several nieces, nephew, and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, James William Lyons; his mother, Cleata Eleanor Lockridge Lyons; his brother, Donald Lee Lyons; his sisters, Barbara J. Schermer, and Nancy K. Lyons; his beloved dog, Barkley, and his brothers in law, Bob Cord, Ken Cord, and Greg Cord.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, November 22, 2023, at 3 p.m., by Rev. Rollin Mitchell at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Hanover Cemetery in Hanover, Indiana.

Friends may visit Wednesday from 11 a.m. — 3 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre.

Memorial contributions may be made to the ALS Foundation and The Jefferson County Animal Shelter. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centers of Hanover and Madison. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Ronnie Whicker



Ronnie Whicker, age 74, of Hanover, Indiana entered this life on May 30, 1949 in Berea, Kentucky. He was the loving son of the late Farris and Ethel York Whicker. He grew up in Kent and graduated from Southwestern High School in 1967. On September 16,1972 he was united in marriage to Terry Jean DeVault in Selena Tennessee. This union was blessed with two sons, Ryan & Jason. Ronnie retired from Rotary Lift after 34 years as a painter. Earlier in life, he had worked at Hanover College in the maintenance department for five years. After retirement Ronnie enjoyed mowing lawns for people. Ronnie was a member of the Cornerstone Baptist Church. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and going to the casino. Ronnie died on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at 7:55 p.m. at his home in Hanover, Indiana.

Ronnie will be missed by his loving wife of 51 years, Terry Jean DeVault of Hanover, IN; his sons, Ronald Ryan Whicker and his wife Brenda of Dupont, IN, Jason Wayne Whicker and his companion, Merryann Harmon of Hanover, IN; his grandchildren, Corey Williams and his wife, Darrah, Reece Whicker, Taryn Staklin, and Karah Whicker; his great grandsons, Asher Williams and Turner Williams; his sister, Sue Armand and her husband, Rick of Madison, IN; his brothers, Roger Lynn Whicker of Kingston, GA, Danny Lee Whicker of Hanover, IN; his sister in laws, Rita Vierling of Madison, IN, Lana Reinhart and her husband, Gary of Goshen, KY, Vickie Holder and her husband, Fred of Shelbyville, IN; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Farris Whicker; his mother, Ethel York Whicker; his sister, Jewell Crook; his brothers, Charles Wayne Whicker, and Johnny "Mack" Whicker; his niece, Kim Phillips; his nephews, Chris Whicker, Chad Eric Smith, and David Marsh; his sisters in law, Donna Dewaelsche, Tessa Sue Pursley, and Judy Nugent.

Memorial services will be conducted on Tuesday, November 21, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., by Pastor Mike Johnson at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre — Hanover Chapel, 278 East Main Street in Hanover, Indiana.

Friends may visit Tuesday from 5 -7 p.m at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre — Hanover Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association or the Cornerstone Baptist Church. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Hanover and Madison. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Sarah Taylor 'Sally' Diuguid

Sarah Taylor "Sally" Diuguid, age 79, of Nokomis, FL, formerly of Ghent, KY, passed this life on November 13, 2023, at The Springs at Oldham Reserve in La Grange, KY. Sally was born in Chicago, Cook County, IL, on July 29, 1944, to Phillip Taylor and Sarah Walters Taylor (Walton).

She was a member of the Warsaw Christian Church in Warsaw, KY, and also sang in the Warsaw Christian Church Choir. Sally also sang in the Carrollton Christian Church Choir and the local Community Choir. Other memberships include the Caby M. Froman Club, Carrollton Younger Women's Club, and St. Francis of the Fields Church. She was also been involved with the Carrollton Investment Club of which she served as Treasurer for one year and served as Fifth District Governor for Kentucky Women's Clubs for two years.

She was a private pilot, an accomplished painter, a golfer, an avid gardener, following the late Fred Wiche closely. She exuded a vibrant interest in life and lived life lightly with a well-developed sense of humor.

Left to mourn her passing is her son, Gex Taylor Diuguid of Nokomis, FL. She was preceded in death by her husband; William Gex "Bill" Diuguid on February 11, 2023, her parents and stepfather; Sublet Walton, and a brother; Thomas "Tommy" Taylor.

Funeral Services was on Saturday, November 18, 2023, at 1 p.m. at the Warsaw Christian Church in Warsaw, KY, with the Rev. Phil Case officiating the service. Interment took place in the Ghent Masonic Cemetery in Ghent, KY.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts can be given to the Alzheimer's Association or the Warsaw Christian Church in the care of the funeral home.

Arrangements have been entrusted with the Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home.

DEATH NOTICES

Alicia June Hall Arthur, 58, of Pendleton, KY, died Saturday, Nov. 18, 2023, at the Baptist Health-La Grange in La Grange, KY. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 27, at Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, IN, with interment at a later date in Moffett Cemetery in Milton, KY, www.morgan-nay.com.

Harry S. Berry, 76, of Owenton, KY, died Monday, Nov. 20, 2023, at Owenton Health and Rehabilitation Center in Owenton. Funeral arrangements are pending at Ransdell Funeral Home, Bedford, KY, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

Georgia Bowling, 78, of Carrollton, KY, died Saturday, Nov. 18, 2023, at her home. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 21, at Cove Hill Baptist Church in Carrollton and 1p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 22, at Bowling Funeral Home in London, KY, with burial at East Salem Cemetery in London. Arrangements by Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.

Lurie A. Cason, 94, of Deputy, IN, died Sunday, Nov. 19, 2023, at Rolling Hills Healthcare Center in New Albany, IN. Funeral arrangements are pending at Lytle Welty Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Madison, IN, www.lytlewelty.com.

Shane H. McQueary, 42, of Madison, IN, died Sunday, Nov. 19, 2023, at Norton King's Daughters' Health in Madison. Funeral arrangements are pending agt Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, IN, www.morgan-nay.com.

Kathleen Annette "Kathy" Wynkoop Tucker, 80, of Vevay, IN, died Friday, Nov. 10, 2023, at Norton King's Daughters' Health in Madison, IN. Funeral services were Thursday, Nov. 16, at Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, with interment at Vevay Cemetery there, www.haskellandmorrison.com.

KETTLE

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Cleaveland said the $178,000 goal "is not impossible," noting that last year the kettle campaign raised more than $150,000.

She said the Salvation Army works every day to "make a bad situation better. We make somebody's life better by helping them in whatever way that we can help them — if that's a meal, if that's clothing, if that's shelter or whatever it is, we are there to help them and to serve them. We love being in this community."

Cleaveland noted 2025 will be the 100th anniversary of the Salvation Army serving Madison and Jefferson County. "We are hoping for something really great that year to celebrate that because that is an amazing thing to be in this community so long."

The kettle campaign began Monday, Nov. 20, with bell ringers at Hobby Lobby, Kroger and two doors at Walmart from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Cleaveland said with 1,200 hours of bell ringing needed throughout the holiday season, the Salvation Army is seeking volunteers for that task. "We really need your help. We really need your support," Cleaveland said.

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Archaeologists use GPR to explore HMI sites

BY BOB DEMAREE

Archaeologists were exploring the yard of the historic Judge Jeremiah Sullivan House and the Talbott-Hyatt Garden last Wednesday as Historic Madison Inc. strives to learn more about the two properties it owns.

With a 700-page Historic Structures Report providing a full-scale architectural historical and engineering study of the circa 1818 house where Jeremiah Sullivan and his family lived for more than 70 years, the archaeological exploration will provide additional detail as HMI considers future restoration, development and use of the Sullivan House.

Jessica Spiess, HMI's director of programs, noted the historic structures report provided details and recommendations about what restoration should be done on the Sullivan House but "we don't know outside and we're just looking to see what's there."

The archaeological work at the Sullivan House will determine the location of the north wing of the building that was torn down in the late 19th century, and any other historic landscape features prior to future restoration work.

"This is the next step in the process to keep us going forward," said Spiess, anticipating that fund-raising for the Sullivan House restoration might begin next year.

Once restoration does begin, Spiess said it will be important to be aware of what might be in the yard. "We have to know if there's anything going to disturb the yard with a tractor" or any equipment that might be used in the restoration. "We can be smart when we're doing our construction, or if we do find something, smart when we do our digging," she said.

Ohio Valley Archaeology Inc. used ground penetrating radar (GPR) to identify locations of long buried foundations, garden paths, cisterns, outhouses and other structures. The technology uses electromagnetic radar pulses to locate materials in the ground without disturbing the surface or excavation.

The exploration at the Talbot-Hyatt Garden searched for an early community well, buried foundations and other sub-surface remains not found during archaeological explorations conducted there in 1965 and 1998.

More than 40 people stopped by the site to watch archaeologists Alexandria Flores and Aaron Okkonen do their work.

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Aaron Okkonen (left) assists as Alexandra Flores uses ground penetrating radar (GPR) to survey the grounds last week at the Talbott-Hyatt House in downtown Madison.

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Madison Junior High School students recognized for winning sculpture designs are (from left): Rachel Goley, Ashlynn Crawley, Emma Katerberg, Keilani Youngblood, Kruz Konkle, Garrett Deuser, Owen Murphy, Ellie Mahoney, Marlee Thompson and Mary Grace Jenner.

Student sculptures selected for public display

BY BOB DEMAREE

Sculpture artwork designed by Madison Junior High School students will be publicly featured at various locations throughout Madison starting next spring.

The sculptures are the result of a collaboration between the city of Madison and CRM, developer of Shoppes at Sunrise Crossing, utilizing artist and sculptor Dale Rogers to create art and teach art to local students.

Rogers, hired to provide the custom made sculpture "Birdman" that will be permanently displayed at the shopping center, was also utilized as a "visiting professor" for students at Madison Consolidated Schools. In particular, Rogers worked with students in Eric Phagan's art classes at Madison Junior High School in developing sculptures.

Rogers worked with last year's Madison seventh grade art students — now eighth graders — in developing sculpture designs. "They met with Dale when he was here, so they were familiar with his work, and his style, and talked about how he gets inspiration for his work," said Phagan.

The students all went on a field trip of downtown Madison to get "inspiration from seeing the historic sites and other places around town," said Phagan. "There's art all around Madison. They looked at the architecture, they could look at fine arts, public arts that we have in town, and also the natural beautiful landscape. All of that combined, they were to get an idea, sketch it out, and also do it in the style of Dale Rogers after meeting with him, and seeing how he creates and builds his ideas. They were able to use both those processes and that experience, and their own personal experience, living in this community, bringing it all together to create art."

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The Birdman sculpture, custom made by artist sculptor Dale Rogers, has now been installed at the Shoppes at Sunrise Crossing on Madison's hilltop.

After that the students developed their designs for a contest. "We did a contest, based on Dale's visit and Dale's artwork," said Phagan.

Each student did a sketch mockup then they had to present the sculpture design in front of a board with a two-minute speech before people from the community, the city and the school.

The 10 students selected and their designs were:

- **Ashlyn Crawley,** one of the tritons with a sprouting horn from the Broadway Fountain.
- **Garrett Deuser,** an artist's easel with picture frame and the message "Sometimes we struggle to see the beauty in life" that provides the option of utilizing the frame as a selfie or to look through the frame, and see beauty through it.
- **Rachel Goley,** a corn stalk to represent Indiana farming.
- **Mary Grace Jenner,** a lightning bug.
- **Emma Katerberg,** a market stand from the Farmers Market.
- **Kruz Konkle,** the cursive "M"a n Madison Cubs baseball caps.
- **Ellie Mahoney,** the 1971 Gold Cup Miss Madison hydroplane.
- **Owen Murphy,** a rusted guitar with music notes coming off of it.
- **Marlee Thompson,** the Indiana state flower (peony).
- **Keilani Youngblood,** the Indiana state leaf (tulip poplar).

The projects will now go to Cub Industries at Madison Consolidated High School, which will take the student drawings and create the sculptures from the mockups. Phagan anticipates the sculptures will be completed and installed by spring.

The sculptures will be placed at various locations throughout Madison and Jefferson County with exact locations still to be determined. Recommendations by the student designers will be considered for placement but "it just depends on where the city allows and where the county allows," said Phagan.

He said that's all part of the process. "There's figuring out what you want to make, there's making the art, then there's figuring out how you're going to get it installed and placement of the art, and then there's the upkeep of the art. All of those things you have to think about," said Phagan.

Phagan noted most of the sculptures will be made out of Corten steel. "It's steel that naturally rusts," he said, noting the oxidation process produces a stable rust-like appearance after several years' exposure to the weather. He said some sculptures will include stainless steel elements while others will be painted with automotive-type paint.

Phagan said it's great how the project came together with the support of the city and the developer of Shoppes at Sunrise Crossing. "They've all been awesome through the process, and excited about the student aspect of it" that not only provides a learning experience for students but creates art to enhance the city.

Human Relations Commission asks for more structure

BY BOB DEMAREE

Members of the city of Madison's Human Relations Commission continued to consider how to best structure that task while waiting for guidance from Mayor Bob Courtney during their meeting Wednesday morning.

"I feel we can't move forward until we have concrete direction," said Katy Hadley, the commission's vice chair. "We need help. We need direction to move forward." In particular, Hadley said the commission needs legal guidance that's not part of the current structure. "We don't have the power to change that. We serve at the will of the Mayor," and need him to "give us next steps."

Courtney was out of city Wednesday and Tammy Acosta, the mayor's assistant, was serving as the city representative for the second consecutive Human Relations Commission meeting.

Acosta said the commission does have legal representation when there is an issue. "Legal comes available to you," she said. "If someone has any issues with discrimination, they could make a complaint to your committee then your committee could make our legal team aware there's been a complaint," she said.

Hadley said even with that information "there is a place for legal to come in" and she's still not comfortable with the current structure. "I think our conclusion still stands that the way it's organized now is way too informal ... with no attorneys that are untrained and don't have a system in place" such as having proper documents and following proper procedures for investigations.

Hadley said the question continues to be whether the HRC changes structurally, and if so, how does it change. But until there's direction from the Mayor, the commission is in "holding pattern that keeps us in suspension."

Although the ordinance that established the commission in 1968 states that the commission members "have the power to investigate," Hadley said, "I'm not doing that. I'm not comfortable with that. We're not trained. We don't have the skills to do that."

Hadley said in their research about human relations commissions in other cities, "it is people like us, but we're always paired with an attorney. They have a formalized relationship with someone who is guiding them and supporting them in those actions. It's not that we couldn't do it, we're just not trained to do it in the current structure."

Board secretary Tony Schroeder said the human relations commission history has been more informal with people talking to the complainants and trying to get to the bottom of it. "That was a benefit because that gave the complainant at least an opportunity to express their concern, and to be listened." However, he said that's not as easy to do in today's world because of "increased polarity, and because of increased legal concerns and representation, there is really more of a need for a structure."

Hadley agreed with Schroeder's observation noting "there have been changes over time that the context has changed," she said, adding, that while the format of the commission may have worked well in the past, she's now "not comfortable with that format" because she doesn't have the "skills to make that effective for the topics we're tasked with facing" in today's world.

The nine-member commission is currently four members short with Hadley, Schroeder, Jessica McAlister, Shirley Kloepfer and Roland Newman currently serving.

Partnership created to address food sustainability

SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

A partnership was announced last Wednesday by Madison Consolidated Schools with local non-profit Madison Youth Unlimited to participate in the Madison Community Grocery Project (MGGP).

Madison Youth Unlimited (MYU), a group committed to improving the quality of life for Madison area youth and their families, created the MGGP program with a specific mission to build an equitable and sustainable local food system that grows community through education and access to delicious, nutritious food.

"When discussions began with the school last summer, we were in a different place as a community," said MYU board president Laura Arico. "We were searching for a solution to fill the grocery store void in downtown Madison. Now that we know there will be a grocery store available, we're able to focus more specifically on building our local food system through farmer support and improved access to fresh food. Working together, we have created a student-led initiative that will provide more youth leadership and food access opportunities than we ever anticipated and will fit perfectly within the scope and mission of our work."

MCS students will design, implement, and manage a fresh food store, known as a "farm stop," that sells fresh local and regional food. The farm stop movement is growing nationwide as communities turn to local farms as a buffer against global supply chain and price fluctuations. Farm stops sell fresh food from a variety of local and regional growers and can take various forms, from indoor marketplaces that operate on a near-daily basis to mobile markets to weekly box programs.

Nestled under the College & Technical Education (CTE) umbrella at MCHS, work on the Farm Stop project will begin later this year. "We have recently formed our student leadership team who will develop all elements of this initiative," said John Schutte, CTE Coordinator for the district. "The students who have come forward to lead this project are very excited, have various life experiences and strengths which will be valuable to have at the table, and are able to envision the long-term impact a project like this will have on our community, as well as, embrace and create learning opportunities for students of all ages moving forward."

The student leaders are Lilly Cox, Ava Armbrecht, Avery Clayton, Anni Kempton, Laken Dickerson, Emma Wynn, Reilly Kuppler and Sophie Guirguis, all juniors at Madison Consolidated High School.

"I am very excited to work with this group of students and our CTE teachers to create an entrepreneurial experience from the beginning," said Schutte. "This particular group of students brings a wealth of knowledge, leadership, and experience from their other course work, extracurricular activities, and some with small business development experience that will be extremely beneficial to the overall planning and success of this unique opportunity for our students. We will be the first in the state to offer this opportunity for our students and community."

While the details are still coming together on Farm Stop, more information will be shared later this year as the students complete milestone work on their project launch timeline. The work will eventually include curricular areas of business, marketing, personal finance, economics, culinary, agriculture, engineering, and manufacturing. "Our plan is to build this business from the ground up, creating both hands-on and managerial opportunities for students," stated Schutte. "In addition to the curriculum cross-over, we anticipate guidance from our Human Resources team as we build our processes, and will lean heavily on our overall Cub Enterprises Guiding Coalition for outside perspective and expertise as we begin to build our foundational systems and supports."

"As the work came together we (MYU board) were able to see that the school shared our passion and desire for homegrown solutions," said Arico. "In fact, when we proposed the idea of a student-led farm stop to MCS, they came back with a bigger vision than we had thought possible. They are committed to guiding and empowering students to take on this community leadership role, making youth leadership a vital part of building a thriving local food system that improves food access across income levels. We are very excited to see how this partnership continues to grow."

While the project timeline and business plan work have already begun, the real work will come later this year and into the next school year with curriculum developments and additions for the 2024-2025 school year. "We are committed to creating educational and real-world value through a hands-on experience that will provide our students with an advantage as they enter college and careers," said Madison Superintendent Dr. Teresa Brown. "As we sit around this table and have discussions about solving barriers to food access for students and families in our community, it is powerful. For our students to step up and lead initiatives such as this, speaks to their hearts and more to their abilities and desire to be change agents."

Nugent Sand interested in leasing Carroll County mineral rights

BY TAYLOR WILLIAMS
PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Carroll County Fiscal Court has tabled a proposal by Nugent Sand Company to solicit bids for the potential lease of a portion of the Ohio River to dredge minerals from the river bottom.

Ruth Baxter, attorney for Nugent, was at last Tuesday's Carroll County Fiscal Court meeting to request that the county consider taking bids on a 10-year lease to dredge minerals with options for two additional 5-year periods for a total of up to 20 years.

"It would afford the county an opportunity during the dredging season, which is from March to Early November, to realize additional income," she said.

Baxter said the county has authority to enter into such leases based on a bill adopted by the Kentucky General Assembly in 1970 which established that all portions of the river from the "north of the thread of the stream be declared vacant and unappropriated land and it's for use of the county to lease minerals that sit in that portion."

Baxter said a lease is an opportunity for the county to receive about $40,000 a year in royalties plus an additional $60,000 a year in natural resource severance taxes. There is also a potential opportunity for additional income for the lands adjacent to the Ohio River if they want to dredge there as well.

"By leasing the river bed from the county, the lease holder would not only be paying royalties to the county for the minerals that were extracted, but it would also figure into the severance tax," Baxter added.

Photos by Taylor Williams

Carroll County's Nugent Sand Company-Milton held its grand opening and dedication of its new bulk material river terminal on Friday, allowing the company to ship more materials by barge. Damon Hughes (left), Tom Nugent (center), and Clay Ferris (right) cut the ribbon at the dedication.

Barges await for loading at Nugent Sand Company-Milton's new bulk material river terminal on the Ohio River.

Approval would require federal and state government permits and it would require a mussel survey within the leased area, located about 5 miles upstream of Milton, Kentucky, due to endangered species considerations. The survey can only be done during certain times of the year and is a prerequisite to dredging the river bottom.

The proposal would also require a permit issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and a certificate from the Kentucky Division of Water based on water quality prerequisites.

"Depending upon where you're going to be dredging, there's some buffer requirements that you're required to stay away from certain areas," Baxter added. "We think this would be a good partnership."

District One Magistrate Benjie Long said the court needs more time to study and consider the proposal and made a motion to table the matter to allow more research. The other magistrates agreed and decided to discuss the issue further at the court's next regular meeting on Nov. 28.

Baxter said the court should take its time with the decision and noted the company will be available for any follow up questions or a tour of the company's facilities.

Election board rejects provisional ballot

BY BOB DEMAREE

An election board meeting to consider a provisional ballot that was cast during this year's city of Madison municipal election was denied at a meeting Friday of the Jefferson County Election Board.

With Indiana law requiring proof of identification in order to vote, there was one person who did not have that when voting in the municipal election. A provisional ballot was cast on paper because the voter did not have her driver's license when she went to vote at the polls on election day, according to County Clerk Tabatha Eblen. For that ballot to be accepted, the voter needed to have brought her identification to the Clerk's office by noon Friday and she failed to do so.

"She voted provisionally with the understanding that she needed to come and present her driver's license within 10 days, and she failed to do that," said election board member Mindy McGee. "She voted at a polling place and the inspector put it inside a locked bag, but because no identification documents were delivered, there was "no need in opening and looking at it because it can't count."

The election board, which includes Eblen as County Clerk, McGee representing the Republican party and Merritt Alcorn representing the Democratic party, voted unanimously to reject the ballot.

"A provisional ballot is always issued if a voter comes and cannot show their ID, and prove who they are," Eblen said. "We never turn a voter away if they feel they have a right to vote. Even if they don't live in that precinct and they argue with the worker that 'yes they do,' we have to issue a provisional ballot."

"We just follow all the steps to be sure we do it right," McGee said.

In January, the Election Board will meet again to consider logistical matters in delivering voting machines to polling places. Candidate filing for the 2024 election begins Wednesday, Jan. 10, and ends Friday, Feb. 9.

JAIL

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Once the county gains occupancy, there are plans to schedule an open house for the community to tour the 300 bed facility, located at 1150 J.A. Berry Lane on Madison's hilltop, before inmates are moved there from the Jefferson County Jail in downtown Madison.

In other business, the Commissioners:

• Adopted updates to the county's Unified Development Ordinance as recommended by the County Plan Commission that had given its unanimous approval last week.

Among the updates is the addition of a definition for a shooting range/gun range that had been requested by county residents at the Commissioners meeting when they adopted the UDO in the spring. "There are many other things we don't automatically define," said Warren Auxier, president of the Jefferson County Plan Commission. "But since the public was concerned" the plan commission consulted with its attorney, the consultants who drafted the original UDO and reviewed ordinances from other counties to develop a definition.

The approved definitely for a shooting range is "any land, property, premises, place or facility that is used, designed, intended or operated on a regular or structured basis for the purpose of the discharge of firearms and/or shooting of archery equipment whether publicly or privately owned, and whether or not operated for profit. Shooting range does not include a facility owned or operated by municipal corporations, county, township police districts, county township police district or joint police districts. Shooting range does not include accessory or incidental target practice areas on private property infrequently used by a private property owner."

• Heard a report by Jefferson County Emergency Management Agency Director Matt True that in the last week the EMA has utilized its drone in a missing person search and three brush fire responses.

True said one of the brush fires was in Milton, Kentucky, in which Milton Fire and Rescue was the lead fire agency with assistance from Bedford and Westside fire departments in Kentucky and Madison Township and Hanover Township fire departments in Jefferson County, Indiana. True said the Jefferson EMA drone was utilized in Milton because of the presence of Jefferson County firefighters there. "The reason that we will go out of the district without them calling and asking for assistance is when we send people there," a subject that True said he had discussed with the late Troy Morgan (EMA director 2017-2023). "When our people are responding to places, if we can support them we feel that's important. If we send tankers and engines, we're going to protect our people."

• Held the highway department annual bid opening for its operations throughout the year. The bids were taken under advisement with anticipation that they will be awarded at the next Commissioners meeting on Thursday, Dec. 7.

• Had the second reading an ordinance establishing policy for use of the county's credit card and voted to immediately move to a third reading and officially adopt the ordinance.

HOLIDAY

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include holiday refreshments, a reading of Twas the Night Before Christmas, and caroling with Santa Claus in the library auditorium before children will walk with Santa Claus to the nearby City of Madison tree lighting ceremony at 6 p.m.

In Hanover, lights for the Tinsel Twinkle Trail in Hanover Community Park will officially be switched on Friday, Nov. 24, and remain on through Christmas Day.

As far as closings, Madison street department and transfer station will be closed Thursday for the Thanksgiving holiday with trash and recycle delayed one day. Compost will not run Friday. The transfer station will close Friday at 11:30 a.m. and re-open Saturday from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Jefferson County trash pickup will run on its regular schedule through Wednesday before being closed Thanksgiving. The service will resume on Friday with pickup at Rykers Ridge. Trash pickup at Canaan and Brooksburg is scheduled for Saturday.

The United States Postal Service offices will be closed Thanksgiving Day, along with no mail delivery.

All Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicle (BMV) branches will be closed Thursday, Nov. 23, through Saturday, Nov. 25, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Branches will resume regularly scheduled business hours on Monday, Nov. 27.

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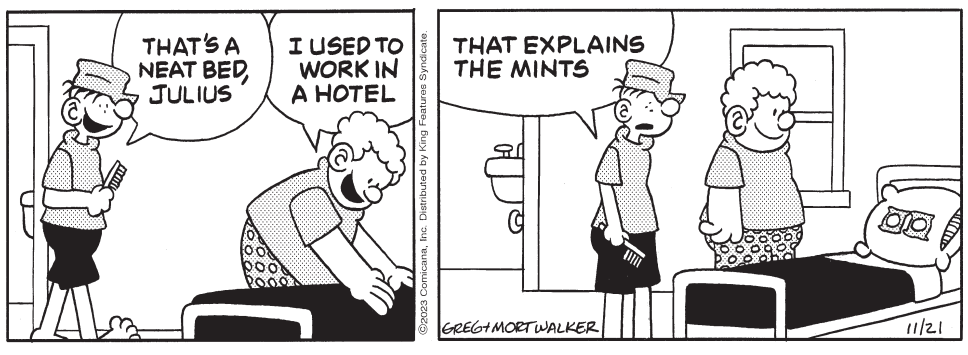
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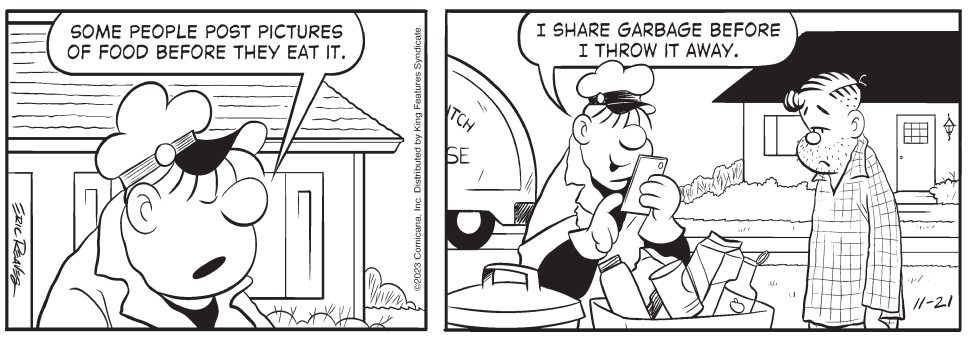
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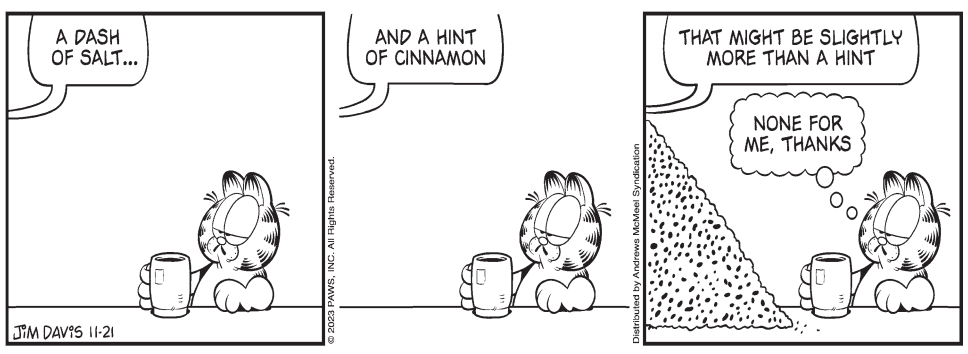
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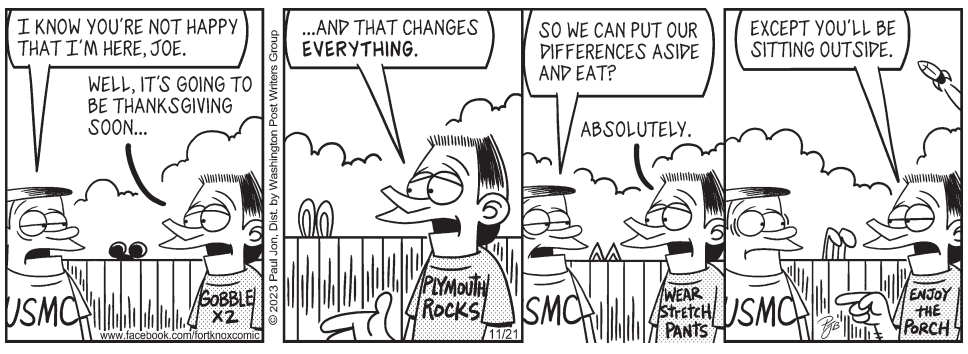
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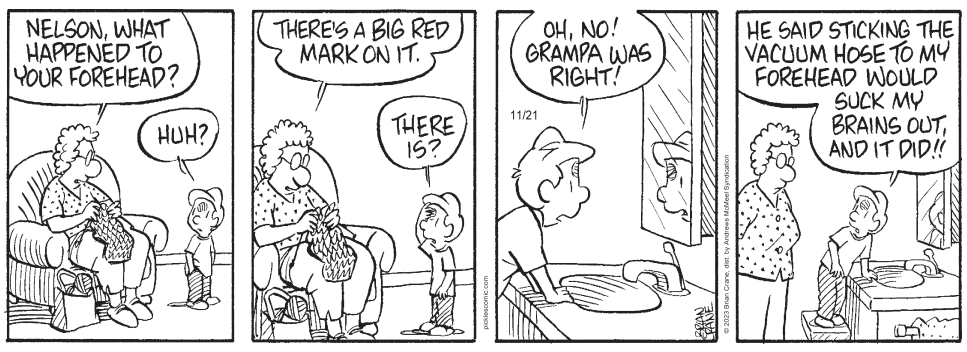
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HE SAID STICKING THE VACUUM HOSE TO MY FOREHEAD WOULD SUCK MY BRAINS OUT, AND IT DID!!
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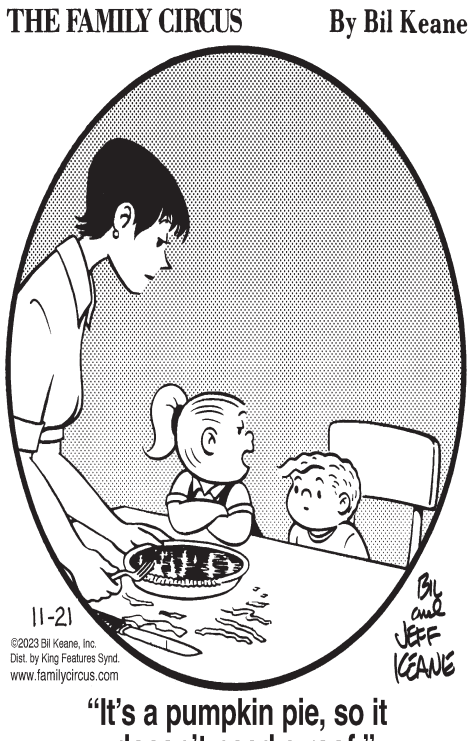

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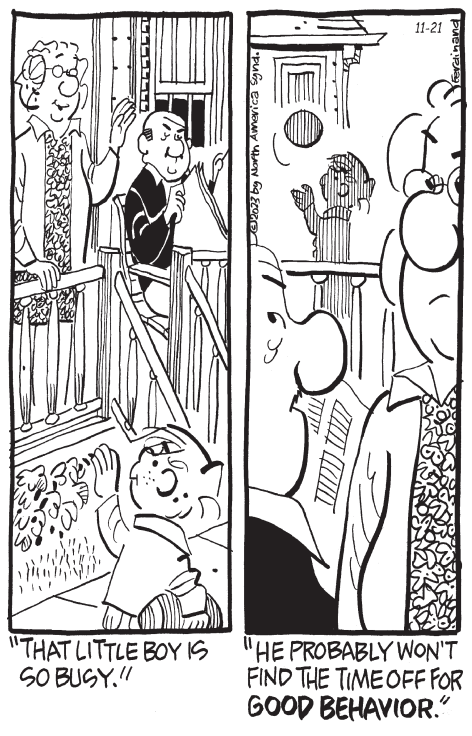

BABY BLUES

WHY ARE YOU HOPPING AROUND LIKE THAT?
DOES IT BOTHER YOU?
A LITTLE.
GOOD. I GUESS I'M THE ANNOYING ONE NOW!
I WANT TO REPORT A TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT.
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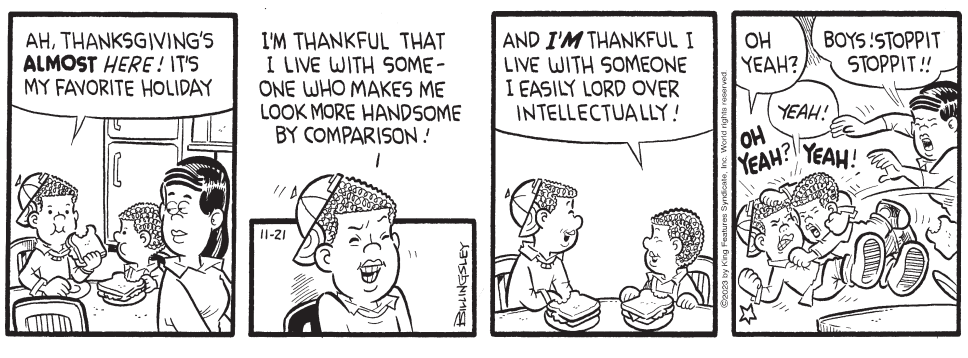
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AND I'M THANKFUL I LIVE WITH SOMEONE I EASILY LORD OVER INTELLECTUALLY!
OH YEAH?
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OH YEAH?
YEAH!
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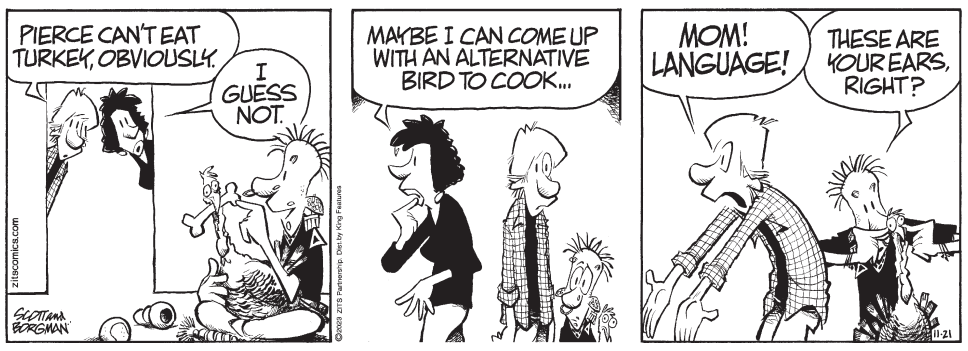
PIERCE CAN'T EAT TURKEY, OBVIOUSLY.
I GUESS NOT.
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MAYBE I CAN COME UP WITH AN ALTERNATIVE BIRD TO COOK...
MOM! LANGUAGE!
THESE ARE YOUR EARS, RIGHT?
11-21

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 21, 1980, 87 people died in a fire at the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.

On this date:

In 1789, North Carolina became the 12th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1920, the Irish Republican Army killed 12 British intelligence officers and two auxiliary policemen in the Dublin area; British forces responded by raiding a soccer match, killing 14 civilians.

In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Air Quality Act.

In 1969, the Senate voted down the Supreme Court nomination of Clement F. Haynsworth, 55-45, the first such rejection since 1930.

In 1973, President Richard Nixon's attorney, J. Fred Buzhardt, revealed the existence of an 18 ½-minute gap in one of the White House tape recordings related to Watergate.

In 1979, a mob attacked the U-S Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan, killing two Americans.

In 1980, an estimated 83 million TV viewers tuned in to the CBS prime-time soap opera "Dallas" to find out "who shot J.R." (The shooter turned out to be J.R. Ewing's sister-in-law, Kristin Shepard.)

In 1985, U.S. Navy intelligence analyst Jonathan Jay Pollard was arrested and accused of spying for Israel. (Pollard later pleaded guilty to espionage and was sentenced to life in prison, but was released in 2015.)

In 1990, junk-bond financier Michael R. Milken, who had pleaded guilty to six felony counts, was sentenced by a federal judge in New York to 10 years in prison. (Milken served two.)

In 1995, Balkan leaders meeting in Dayton, Ohio, initialed a peace plan to end 3½ years of ethnic fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

In 2001, Ottilie Lundgren, a 94-year-old resident of Oxford, Connecticut, died of inhalation anthrax; she was the apparent last victim of a series of anthrax attacks carried out through the mail system.

In 2012, Israel and the Hamas militant group in Gaza agreed to a cease-fire to end eight days of the fiercest fighting in nearly four years.

In 2017, Zimbabwe's 93-year-old president Robert Mugabe resigned; he was facing impeachment proceedings and had been placed under house arrest by the military.

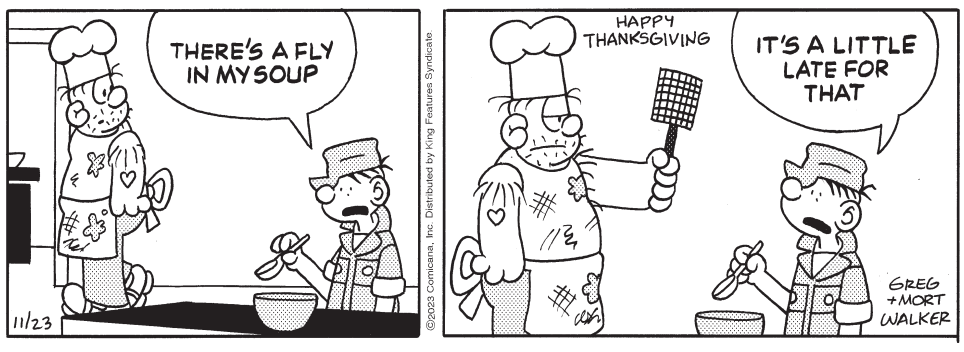
In 2020, a federal judge in Pennsylvania tossed out a Trump campaign lawsuit seeking to prevent certification of Joe Biden's victory in the state; in a scathing order, the judge said Trump lawyer Rudy Giuliani presented only "speculative accusations."

In 2021, a man drove an SUV into a suburban Milwaukee Christmas parade, leaving six people dead and more than 60 injured. (Darrell Brooks Jr. was convicted of 76 counts, including six counts of first-degree intentional homicide; he would be sentenced to life in prison with no chance of release.)

In 2022, NASA's Orion capsule reached the moon, whipping around the far side and buzzing the lunar surface on its way to a record-breaking orbit with test dummies sitting in for astronauts in the first time a capsule visited the moon since NASA's Apollo program 50 years ago.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Laurence Luckinbill is 89. Actor Marlo Thomas is 86. Actor Rick Lenz is 84. Actor Juliet Mills is 82. Basketball Hall of Famer Earl Monroe is 79. Television producer Marcy Carsey is 79. Actor Goldie Hawn is 78. Movie director Andrew Davis is 77. Rock musician Lonnie Jordan (War) is 75. Singer Livingston Taylor is 73. Actor-singer Lorna Luft is 71. Actor Cherry Jones is 67. Rock musician Brian Ritchie (The Violent Femmes) is 63. Gospel singer Steven Curtis Chapman is 61. Actor Nicollette Sheridan is 60. Singer-actor Bjork is 58. Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Troy Aikman is 57. R&B singer Chauncey Hannibal (BLACKstreet) is 55. Rock musician Alex James (Blur) is 55. Baseball Hall of Famer Ken Griffey Jr. is 54. TV personality Rib Hillis is 53. Football player-turned-TV personality Michael Strahan is 52. Actor Rain Phoenix is 51. Actor Marina de Tavira is 50. Country singer Kelsi Osborn (SHeDAISY) is 49. Actor Jimmi Simpson is 48. Singer-actor Lindsey Haun is 39. Actor Jena Malone is 39. Pop singer Carly Rae Jepsen is 38. Actor-singer Sam Palladio is 37.

BEETLE BAILEY


THERE'S A FLY IN MY SOUP
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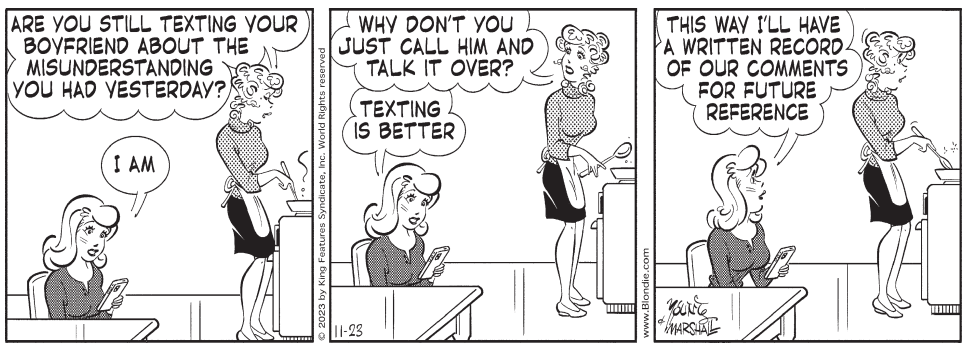
HAPPY THANKSGIVING
IT'S A LITTLE LATE FOR THAT
GREG + MORT WALKER

BLONDIE


ARE YOU STILL TEXTING YOUR BOYFRIEND ABOUT THE MISUNDERSTANDING YOU HAD YESTERDAY?
I AM
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WHY DON'T YOU JUST CALL HIM AND TALK IT OVER?
TEXTING IS BETTER
11-23
THIS WAY I'LL HAVE A WRITTEN RECORD OF OUR COMMENTS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE
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YOUNG MARSHALL

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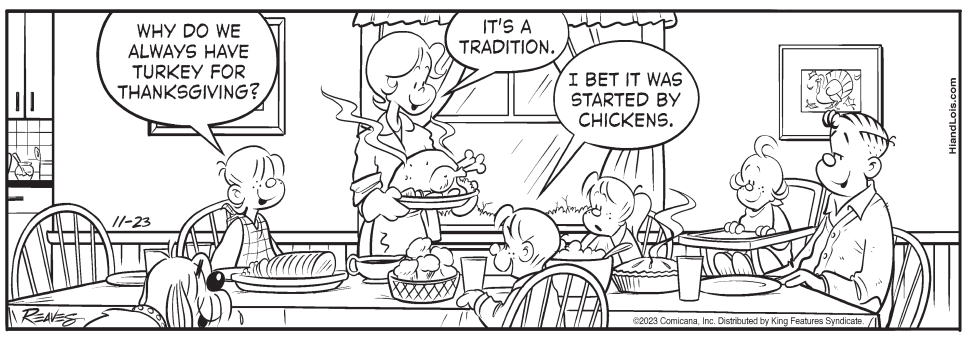
WHY DO WE ALWAYS HAVE TURKEY FOR THANKSGIVING?
IT'S A TRADITION.
I BET IT WAS STARTED BY CHICKENS.
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REAVES
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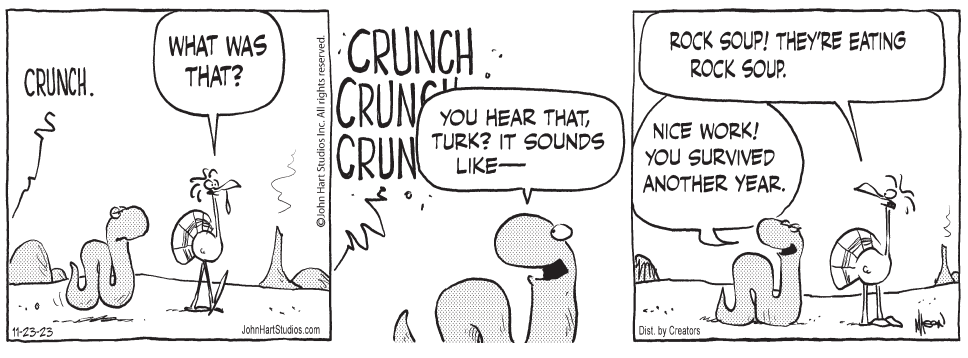

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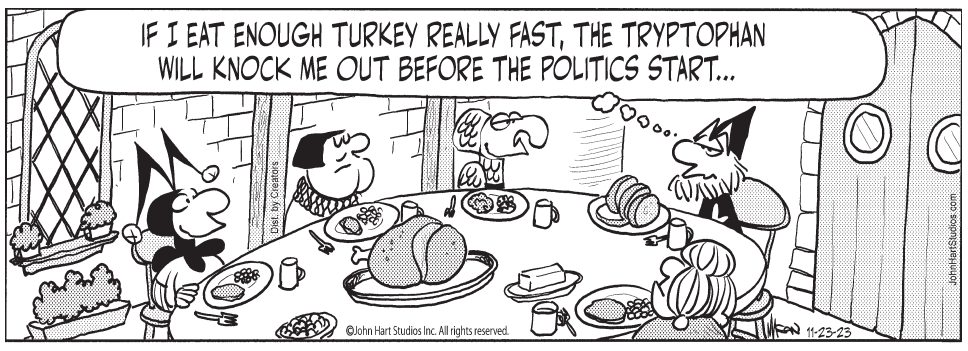
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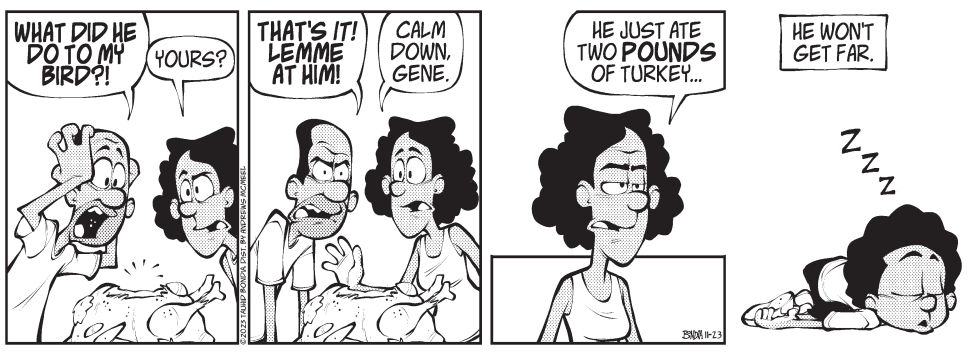
WHAT DID HE DO TO MY BIRD?!
YOURS?
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THAT'S IT! LEMME AT HIM!
CALM DOWN, GENE.
HE JUST ATE TWO POUNDS OF TURKEY...
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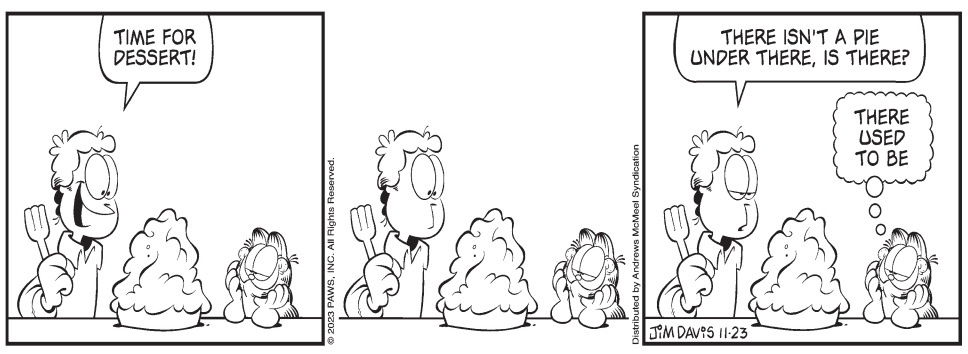
HE WON'T GET FAR.
ZZZ

GARFIELD


TIME FOR DESSERT!
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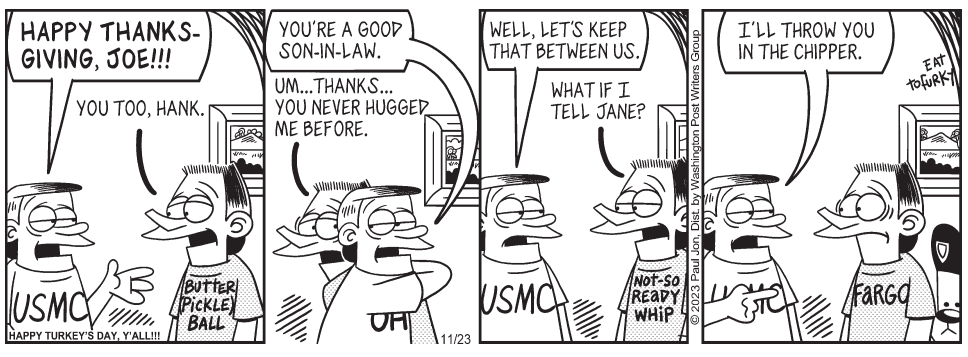
THERE USED TO BE
JIM DAVIS 11-23

FORT KNOX



PICKLES

I HAVE THIS AWFUL THROBBING IN MY LEFT BIG TOE...
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THERE'S A CONSTANT RINGING IN MY RIGHT EAR, WHICH SOMETIMES TRAVELS TO MY LEFT EAR.
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ON COLD OR HUMID DAYS, I GET A WEIRD NUMBING SENSATION IN MY CABOOSE...
NEVER ASK GRAMPA ABOUT HIS ACHES AND PAINS, 'CAUSE HE'LL TELL YOU!
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FAMILY CIRCUS

"Bet I know what you're MOST thankful for, Grandma ... all this help with the dishes!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

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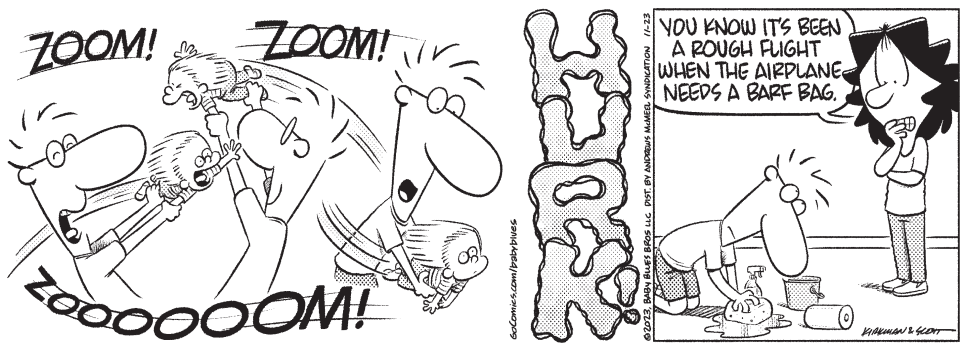
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HUFF
YOU KNOW IT'S BEEN A ROUGH FLIGHT WHEN THE AIRPLANE NEEDS A BARF BAG.
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KIRKMAN & SCOTT

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Thanksgiving
-A MAGICAL DAY WHEREIN NOTHING MATTERS, YET EVERYTHING MATTERS
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO YOU ARE, NOR YOUR BELIEF, WHERE YOU ARE IN EDUCATION OR THE POLITICAL PARTY YOU DANCE WITH
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IMPORTANT IS THAT YOU EMBRACE FAMILY BY BLOOD AND FAMILY BY CONSENTING CHOICE
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THE MAGIC OF LOVE AND CARING IS WHAT SHOULD MATTER EVERYWHERE ALL YEAR LONG
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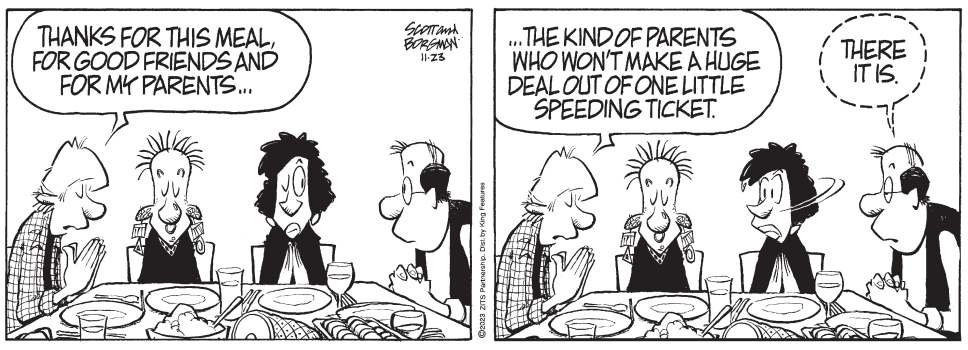
THANKS FOR THIS MEAL, FOR GOOD FRIENDS AND FOR MY PARENTS...
SCOTTAMA BORGMAN 11-23
...THE KIND OF PARENTS WHO WON'T MAKE A HUGE DEAL OUT OF ONE LITTLE SPEEDING TICKET.
THERE IT IS.
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 23, 1971, the People's Republic of China was seated in the United Nations Security Council.

On this date:

In 1889, the first jukebox made its debut in San Francisco, at the Palais Royale Saloon.

In 1903, Enrico Caruso made his American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, appearing in "Rigoletto."

In 1936, Life, the photojournalism magazine created by Henry R. Luce, was first published.

In 1963, President Lyndon B. Johnson proclaimed Nov. 25 a day of national mourning following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

In 1980, some 2,600 people were killed by a series of earthquakes that devastated southern Italy.

In 1996, a commandeered Ethiopian Airlines Boeing 767 crashed into the water off the Comoros Islands, killing 125 of the 175 people on board, including all three hijackers.

In 2000, in a setback for Al Gore, the Florida Supreme Court refused to order Miami-Dade County officials to resume hand-counting its election-day ballots. Meanwhile, Gore's lawyers argued in a brief filed with the U.S. Supreme Court that the high court should stay out of the Florida election controversy.

In 2003, five U.S. soldiers were killed in a helicopter crash in Afghanistan.

In 2006, former KGB spy

Alexander Litvinenko died in London from radiation poisoning after making a deathbed statement blaming Russian President Vladimir Putin.

In 2008, the government unveiled a bold plan to rescue Citigroup, injecting a fresh $20 billion into the troubled firm as well as guaranteeing hundreds of billions of dollars in risky assets.

In 2011, Yemen's authoritarian President Ali Abdullah Saleh agreed to step down amid a fierce uprising to oust him after 33 years in power.

In 2012, actor Larry Hagman, best known for playing the scheming oil baron J.R. Ewing on TV's "Dallas," died in Dallas at age 81.

In 2020, the federal government recognized Joe Biden as the "apparent winner" of the Nov. 3 election, formally starting the transition of power; President Donald Trump still refused to concede and vowed to continue a court fight.

In 2021, a federal jury in Cleveland found that CVS, Walgreens and Walmart pharmacies recklessly distributed massive amounts of pain pills in two Ohio counties. (A judge awarded $650 million in damages.)

In 2022, the Middle East's first World Cup opened in Qatar. Ecuador beat the host country 2-0 in the opening match.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Franco Nero is 82. Screenwriter Joe Eszterhas is 79. Actor-comedy writer Bruce Vilanch is 76. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., is 73. Singer Bruce Hornsby is 69. Former Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., is 68. Actor Maxwell Caulfield is 64. Actor John Henton is 63. TV personality Robin Roberts ("Good Morning America") is 63. Rock singer-musician Ken Block (Sister Hazel) is 57. Actor Salli Richardson-Whitfield is 56. Actor Oded Fehr is 53. Rapper-actor Kurupt (Tha Dogg Pound) is 51. Actor Page Kennedy is 47. Actor Kelly Brook is 44. Actor Lucas Grabeel is 39. TV personality Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi is 36. Actor-singer Miley Cyrus is 31. Actor Olivia Keville (TV: "Splitting Up Together") is 21.

Animal shelter achieves 'no-kill' status

BY BOB DEMAREE

The Madison-Jefferson County Animal Shelter last week was recognized as a no-kill shelter after officially meeting the required save rate for cats and dogs.

To be no-kill, no more than 10% of a shelter's total intake of animals can be euthanized, said Tricia Parker, director of the animal shelter, which achieved that mark in 2022 with a 90% save rate. "We're at 90% but we're aiming for 100%" as a goal to achieve, she said, noting that with about six weeks left in 2023, the shelter has euthanized about 6% of its animals this year.

The award is presented by the Best Friends Network, a coalition committed to saving the lives of homeless cats and dogs. The goal is for every shelter to make a clear commitment to lifesaving of the animals.

To be a no kill shelter, euthanization is only permitted in three instances:

- When a veterinarian or trained medical staff has deemed the prognosis of the animal to poor or grave, and there is no chance of recovered an acceptable quality of life.
- It would be clearly inhumane or unsafe not to euthanize immediately.
- In cases of irremediable canine aggression .

Parker, who has been the shelter director since October 2022, said the effort to make the Madison-Jefferson County Shelter a no-kill shelter began before she became director. "I came in and took it over" and have continued the effort.

"We're really proud of this, and cannot express how grateful and happy we all are to have finally made this dream a reality," said Parker. "This status was achieved through a lot of hard work and dedication from our staff, volunteers, donors and community."

The shelter is currently making adoption of all animals available for half cost of the adoption fee with cats $50 and dogs $100. That fee includes rabies, spay and neuter, de-worming and other vaccinations.

WE ARE A
NO-KILL
SHELTER
2022
The Best Friends Network proudly presents this certificate to
Madison-Jefferson County Animal Shelter
in recognition of achieving no-kill status during calendar year 2022 by exceeding a 90% save rate for cats and dogs.
Best Friends

Tricia Parker, director of the Madison-Jefferson County Animal Shelter, with the plaque the shelter received for achieving the no-kill shelter distinction for 2022. Parker is holding one of the cats that's currently available for adoption at the animal shelter.

Bob Demaree

County Council urged to develop project list for fiscal planning

BY BOB DEMAREE

Seeking insight into how best to meet the county's ongoing needs, Jefferson County Council received some fiscal strategic planning advice at its meeting Tuesday.

Jeffrey Peters, chief executive officer of Peters Franklin LTD, the firm hired to advise the county on strategic fiscal planning and budget consulting, presented the council with several options to keep its budget balanced and avoiding deficits while developing plans for capital expenditures.

"I encourage you to get together a project list" to help provide a "roadmap of how you're to get from where you're at to the end of these projects, and give you an idea, as a fiscal body, what do they cost? What does that look like to a taxpayer? And you weigh those options," he said noting "there's always the option you just don't do the project, and cut back spending, and live within where you're at."

Council member Pam Crozier expressed appreciation that Peters outlined all the options available to the county to be fiscally "healthy and have improvements."

In other business:

- County Surveyor Mike Pittman asked the council to consider providing a salary increase for building inspector Josh Cline. "He's probably one of the best building inspectors the county has ever had. Unfortunately, I'm not the only one that sees that, and he's had some extremely lucrative job offers. But I think I can save him if I can get some more money."

Council President Ray Black Jr. noted that as a member of the County Plan Commission he's seen Cline in action, "I can tell you Josh does an excellent job. I'm very impressed with the effort he puts in and his professionalism."

County Auditor Heather Huff said she gets "a lot of feedback from other offices in similar situations, and I feel that Josh does a wonderful job, and there are lots of county employees that do wonderful jobs."

At the same time, Huff said she fears that providing a salary increase "could start a major trend. It could open a very large can of worms as far as office holders coming in. We all have very valuable employees. They all are very talented but I think it definitely could cause a ripple if mid-season raises are given outside of that time when we come and talk about the raises, or just trying to do special things for specific employees."

Council member Chris Shelton said the time to address salary increases is at budget time "when we sit face to face with department heads, that's the time to talk about salary increases. That goes for all department heads." He said the budget has already been completed for this year and it was "very, very tight."

"I was told we couldn't talk about salaries" at budget time, Pittman said

"I don't know who told you that, but you were falsely informed," Shelton responded.

In other business:

- Bob Greene, executive director of the Heritage Trail Conservancy, reported on work that's underway to extend the trail to the entrance of Clifty Falls State Park and plans to develop Heritage Park in downtown Madison.

"One of slogans is, 'Connecting people to nature, history and one another' and that's one thing we want to do with Heritage Park is to connect people to one another," he said. "We want more just a playground at Heritage Park but we really want to help build families."

Green said what's best about the Heritage Trail is that it's open 365 days a year and free to "people who are rich and poor, young and old, people of all faiths, colors, nationalities, educational levels, medical conditions and gender. That's what we're about."

- Approved additional appropriations of $50,000 for the Jefferson County Health Department because with COVID vaccines now being commercialized they are no longer free and must be paid for just like other routine vaccinations. "We're just having to operate differently," said Lindsey Wyne, county health administrator, noting vaccines need to be paid for upfront but with insurance reimbursements "We will be getting all the money back as a public health line item."
- Huff announced that county trash card sales for 2024 are off to a good start with 632 cards sold during the week of Nov. 6-10 at trash cards sites and 102 sold at the Courthouse for a total of 744 so far. The total number of cards sold for 2023 was 1,644. Trash cards cost $50.
- Transfers totaling $9,940 were approved for Jefferson Circuit Court in various categories. There was a total of $1,200 in transfers approved in Emergency Management Agency with part of that going to cover phone costs related to new drone requirements. Additionally, $5,500 in transfers were approved for the extension office to replace furniture including one desk that had collapsed.
- Approved an additional appropriation to pay for the county's strategic planning. Also, an additional appropriation of $5,161.47 was approved for a grant to the County Prosecutor's office related to a grant reimbursement.
- Named Cameron Willoughby as the County Council's appointee to the Jefferson County Board of Health.

Fire destroys garage and 3 vehicles in Milton Township

BY BOB DEMAREE

A fire destroyed a garage and three vehicles Saturday on Upper Dry Fork Road near Greenbrier Road in Milton Township.

Brooksburg/Milton Township Fire Chief Troy Ayler said the homeowners were home when they discovered the garage on fire and reported it shortly after 2 p.m. With the location being about 5 miles from the fire station, firefighters arrived quickly but Ayler said the garage was fully engulfed in flames when they arrived.

Ayler said the fire was under control in about 15 minutes after firefighters arrived, and they stayed on scene until approximately 4:30 p.m. to ensure the fire was completely estinguished.

The garage was detached from the house but flames extended to the corner of the house, melting vinyl siding on the home. "We were able to extinguish the house and save the house with just external damage," said Ayler. "It never got in the house at all."

The garage was a total loss along with all three vehicles, tools and welding equipment. Ayler was there was no one inside the garage at the time of the fire, and there were no injuries.

"We had several fire companies bring us water because there's no water access around there," said Ayler, noting that Rykers Ridge and Madison Township fire companies in Jefferson County and Moorefield Fire Company in Switzerland County assisted.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

DEPUTY

FROM **PAGE A2**

Police responded at around 1 p.m. on Nov. 10 to an alleged hit-and-run accident near the 22 mile-marker in Oldham County. Police say Carpenter attempted to pass the original caller near there, striking the rear of her vehicle in the process and refusing to stop, swerving into the northbound lane and hitting another vehicle.

KSP estimated damage at less than $1,000 to each vehicle

Police in Carroll County located Carpenter in the suspect vehicle during a traffic stop just before 2 a.m. on Nov. 11, where he was arrested and booked into the Carroll County Detention Center. He posted a full $10,000 cash bond on Friday, according to Carroll Jailer Daniel Rose.

TOUR

FROM **PAGE A1**

The Hollingers, who have owned the building since 2018, did extensive renovations of the 10,000 square feet of space over four years while taking great care to reuse as many of the original components as possible.

- The Lee Home, 1033 West Main St.: This home, owned by Paul and Paula Lee, has the unique distinction of being a downtown Madison home that was newly constructed in 2020. The site of the home and two others next to it are the location of the former Piggly Wiggly grocery and then later Hammack's IGA Foodliner, family-owned by Charles and Dorothy Hammack from 1946 to 1986. The home takes its design from the traditional shotgun homes found frequently in Madison, but it has a slightly wider width that allows for a hallway rather than going through rooms to get to parts of the house. "Even though it's a new build, it's very much within the streetscape of Madison," said Suiter.
- The Bateman Home, 204 Plum St.: The home, owned by Ron and Marlene Bateman, was built in the 1840s. Construction indicates that it was tenement housing, allowing it to be rented as apartments. Clues leading to that conclusion are small rooms, interior staircases that lead to exterior entrances, plain interior trim and dirt floor cellar. When the Batemans purchased the structure, it was in poor condition so the decision was made to gut the interior and restore the exterior, resulting in a house that looks like the 1840s on the outside but "very modern inside," said Suiter.

Photos by Bob Demaree

Above: Nights Before Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes Coordinator Terri Jones Suiter is shown. Left: Karen Hicks (left) and Ruby Nichols decorate a tree at First Christian Church which will be part of this year's Nights Before Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes. Decorations on the tree include Chrismons, meaning "Christ monograms," designs made from Christian symbols that signify Christ. The tree is located near one of the church's stained glass windows portraying gospel stories in a contemporary southern Indiana setting.

This year's tour provides a variety of homes where people "get to see all aspects. You see the historic renovations that have maintained the historic aspects of the home, and you see new construction," said Suiter.

The tour also includes First Christian Church, 512 West Main St., continuing a tradition of featuring one downtown church on the tour each year. The church has been the victim of two fires — the last on Christmas Eve 1989 — destroying everything but the brick walls. A new sanctuary was built within the original brick walls that included newly designed stained glass windows that portray gospels stories in a contemporary southern Indiana setting.

St. Michael the Archangel Church will be on the tour for the first time since 2014. Built between 1838 and 1839, the house of worship is one of the oldest buildings built as a Catholic church in Indiana. The church served the Madison Catholic community for 154 years but in 1993 the Indianapolis Archdiocese donated the church to Historic Madison Inc. The tour will include a nativity set that had been with the original church from the 1800s.

Additionally, the Lanier Mansion State Historic Site will be featured. Also on the tour are the Masonic Schofield House, built circa 1815, believed to be the first two-story tavern house in Madison and the Jefferson County Historical Society's History Center, which will display the holiday spirit around the Madison Railroad Station.

There also will be three hospitality sites — Lumber Mill Antique Mall, 721 West First St.; Old Thyme Marketplace, 801 West Main St.; and Madison's Kitchen, 323 East Main St. Each hospitality site offers free refreshments and restrooms.

Tickets may be purchased on the nightsbeforechristmas.com website or by calling 812-265-2956. Tickets are $35 for adults and $5 for children ages 5-12.

The Nights Before Christmas Home Tour is done in partnership with Visit Madison Inc. with the Jefferson County Historical Society, Historic Madison Inc., Lanier Mansion and the Masonic Schofield House. Proceeds from the tour go to each of those Madison's historic sites, along with a portion to Visit Madison, Inc. towards operational costs for the event.

MADISON COURIER BOYS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Stockdale backbone of Southwestern's success

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

Being a soccer goalie isn't easy. You're defending a goal — often by yourself — that's being attacked by 10 opposing players and if a ball squeaks by, you're often the one who gets the blame even if it wasn't entirely your fault.

And that doesn't even include the constant physical abuse that goes with diving for balls and surviving contact with both the opposition and sometimes your own teammates.

Because of that, it takes a special kind of person to man the pipes, one who can not only withstand the physical toll, but mentally put aside getting beaten from time to time.

"That's the biggest mountain you have to get over being a goalie, the mental side of it. Because once a team scores on you, if your attitude drops a lot because you feel like it's your fault, then it can affect the whole team," Southwestern senior Will Stockdale said. "You have to rely on your teammates to pick you up, but you also have to know that your teammates are gonna go down and score and you'll get the next one. It's one of the hardest positions in sports because it's just you and that big goal. You never know what's gonna happen."

Nobody in the area embodied that "goalie mentality" more than Stockdale, who locked down the net for three years, leading Southwestern to the regional championship game this year and earning Madison Courier Boys Soccer Player of the Year honors.

Like a lot of goalies, Stockdale never envisioned playing the position as a youngster. But by the time he settled on it during high school, he was hooked.

"I was never a soccer fan growing up, but it was all started in fifth grade.That was the position they put me in and it worked out great, because I didn't want to run up and down the field," Stockdale said with a laugh. "Ever since middle school, my love for it kept going and going. Mitchell (Cline) was such a good role model. When we'd come over here (in middle school), we would do drills together and he helped me a lot. Once I got to high school, it was a whole different level of fun."

Nina Campbell

Southwestern senior goalkeeper Will Stockdale is the 2023 Madison Courier Boys Soccer Player of the Year.

Stockdale was thrust into the role of starter as a freshman and never gave it up. He was in the net when Southwestern won the sectional title as a sophomore, and again this year when the Rebels won the Ohio River Valley Conference championship for the first time in 10 years and then followed that with a magical run all the way to the regional title game.

Stockdale's play gave Southwestern's attackers the freedom to work, knowing that any mistakes they made would be neutralized. Thanks to a stellar defense in front of him, Stockdale needed only 64 saves on the season to post nine clean sheets, including one in the regional semifinals where his only save late in the contest preserved a 1-0 victory over Rock Creek Academy. He finished the campaign with a .665 goals against average, which was eighth-best in the state among Class A schools.

Southwestern finished the season with a 14-2-5 record, one of the best in school history. As one of the team's captains, Stockdale was pleased with the outcome.

"I'm very proud with our team because starting off, we really didn't have an identity as a team," Stockdale said. "There were a couple of ugly games early, but we all came together as a team and we made the decision of what type of team we were gonna be and then ever since then, it was night and day."

Stockdale's senior season isn't over. He is playing basketball for the first time in several years and is looking forward to the challenge.

"I decided it's my senior year and you only get one of them. So I wanted to go out and play basketball my senior year," Stockdale said. "I know that I probably won't be a starter, but I just want to be able to play my role and help the team any way I can."

Stockdale's No. 1 sport is baseball and when the spring comes around, he'll be behind the plate and hitting in the middle of the lineup as the Rebels try to break a 25-year sectional championship drought. As much as he has grown to love soccer, baseball is still his primary love.

"We've got a talented team and I'm looking forward to finally winning that sectional title," Stockdale said. "We've been so close before, but I really think we have the team this year to do it."

MADISON COURIER BOYS SOCCER ALL-AREA TEAM

Name, School	Cl.	Pos.	Key Stats
Will Stockdale, Southwestern	Sr.	GK	64 svs, .665 GAA
Peyton Cloud, Southwestern	Sr.	MF	18 gls, 5 asts
Ian Eiriksson, Madison	Sr.	MF	N/A
Oscar Gonzalez, Madison	Jr.	MF	N/A
Mizael Hernandez, Southwestern	Sr.	F	17 gls, 6 asts
Jacob Hertz, Shawe	Sr.	MF	10 gls, 4 asts
Brandon Jimenez, Carroll Co.	Sr.	MF	11 gls, 6 asts
Garrett Johnson, Southwestern	Sr.	F	8 gls, 7 asts
Philip Kahn, Shawe	Sr.	D	2 gls
Graham Klein, Madison	Jr.	GK	N/A
Jackson Schwartz, Madison	Sr.	D	N/A
Cooper Todd, Switzerland Co.	Jr.	MF	26 gls, 4 asts

*Player of the Year

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Madison hammers Salem 53-26 to improve to 5-0 on the season

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Madison girls basketball ran its season-opening win streak to five with a 53-26 pounding of Salem Saturday on the road.

The Cubs, off to their best start in a decade, jumped out to a 17-6 lead after the first quarter and shutout Salem 15-0 in the third to turn the game into a rout.

Juliana Davis continued her torrid start to the season and once again just missed a triple-double. The sophomore guard scored 23 points on 10-of-13 shooting, had eight steals and seven rebounds. She also had nine deflections and three assists.

Mylee McQueary and Bailey Owens each had seven points and four rebounds for the Cubs, and Caity Dailey added six points.

Madison travels to Southwestern on Wednesday for the annual Turkey Shootout contest. The Cubs have won the last 11 meetings in the series.

Madison then travels to Floyd Central on Wednesday, Nov. 29.

PACERS WIN TWO ON ROAD

Switzerland County went on the road and won a pair of games over the weekend.

On Friday, Switzerland rallied for a 40-38 victory at Rising Sun in the first Ruler of the River trophy game of the season.

Halle Archer had 11 points, six rebounds and four steals for the Pacers while Courtney Higgins had eight points, five assists and four rebounds.

On Saturday, Switzerland defeated Edinburgh 57-35.

Macy Collier had 12 points and seven rebounds for the Pacers, Higgins had 10 points, five assists and four rebounds, and Lauren Smith had 10 points, five rebounds and five steals.

Switzerland, now 3-2 on the season, hosts North Decatur on Wednesday then hosts Milan on Tuesday, Nov. 28.

REBELS KNOCK OFF SOUTH DEARBORN

Southwestern picked up its second-straight win, 59-36 at South Dearborn on Saturday.

Ashley Fulton scored 24 points and had seven rebounds, five assists and five steals to lead the Rebels. Rorie Scroggins had a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds, Riley Scroggins had 12 points and five rebounds and Olivia Simpson had an impressive line of four points, eight rebounds and nine assists.

Southwestern, now 2-3 on the season, hosts Madison on Wednesday in the annual Turkey Shootout. The Rebels then head to Shawe on Friday, Dec. 1.

Madison's True honored as Indiana PGA Junior Tour Player of the Year

David Campbell

Madison golfer Landon True capped off a strong summer season by being named the Indiana PGA Junior Tour Player of the Year.

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Madison Consolidated High School junior golfer Landon True tore up the Indiana PGA Junior Tour all summer and fall and was rewarded as the Boys Player of the Year at the organization's annual awards dinner last week.

True competed in six tour events, winning four while placing second in the other two to score 120 tour points.

After placing second in his first two events of the summer — at Pebble Brook in Noblesville on July 10 and at Hidden Creek in Sellersburg on July 13 — True shot a one-under 71 to win his home event at Sunrise Golf Course in July 14.

He stepped outside the Junior Tour and tied for 36th with a 157 (77-80) in the Southern Junior Masters event at Otter Creek in Columbus on July 16-17, but then won his next three events, starting on July 20 at Cascades in Bloomington with a 71 and on July 24 at the Richmond Elks with a 72. He capped his summer with a victory in the Junior Tour Championship at the TPC at Woodland Trails in Yorktown with a 71 on July 27.

True's competitive golf season has slowed since school started but he still found time to compete in the Legends Junior Fall Series event in Franklin on Oct. 14-15 where he finished tied for sixth with a 153 (74-79).

True was not the only golfer honored at the banquet. Janelle Garcia of Fishers was named Girls Junior Tour Player of the Year, Taylor Larkins of Fort Wayne was named Girls Junior Program Player of the Year, and Jacob Modleski of Noblesville was named Boys Junior Program Player of the Year.

In addition, the Indiana PGA honored Ressie Lemmon of McCordsville as Girls Prep Tour Player of the Year and Gavin Davis of Fishers as Boys Prep Tour Player of the Year.

LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

TUESDAY, NOV. 21

BASKETBALL

Shawe boys at Medora, 7:30 p.m.

Switzerland Co. boys at Oldenburg, 7:30 p.m.

SWIMMING

Madison hosts Seymour, 6 p.m.

WRESTLING

Madison boys hosts Southwestern, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22

BASKETBALL

Southwestern girls host Madison, 6 p.m.

Southwestern boys host Madison, 7:30 p.m.

Switzerland Co. girls host North Decatur, 7:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

Madison girls, Turkey Tussle at Jeffersonville, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOV. 23

No local events

FRIDAY, NOV. 24

No local events

COURIERAREA SPORTS SHORTS

BY THE COURIER STAFF

• Southwestern's seventh and eighth grade boys basketball teams both won championships at the Switzerland County Tournament on Saturday.

The title was the third this season for the seventh graders, who improved to 10-0 on the season.

Shawe's seventh grade team lost both games in the tourney.

The Hilltoppers lost the first game 49-16 to Switzerland County. Patrick Kahn had seven points and Tanner Sims scored five.

Shawe lost 32-25 to Rising Sun in the second game. Kahn had 11 points and Sims and Johnny Cooke scored five each.

• Switzerland County football held its annual end of the year awards banquet recently.

Award winners were: Josiah Holliday, Keith Oeffinger Mental Attitude Award; Matthew Young, Offensive MVP; Kaden Land, Scout Team MVP; Hunter Smith, Defensive MVP; and Brevon May, Big Man Award.

• Madison defeated Salem 43-18 in junior varsity girls basketball on Saturday.

Kenzie Smith scored 23 points and had five steals and four rebounds for the Cubs while Addison Roark had 10 points and three steals.

Madison, now 4-1 on the season, traveled to Southwestern on Monday. The Cubs next head to Floyd Central on Wednesday, Nov. 29.

• Switzerland County junior varsity girls basketball won two games over the weekend to remain undefeated on the season.

On Friday, the Pacers hammered Rising Sun 44-12. Addie Kelso had 24 points and Kaitlynn Stucker scored 14.

On Saturday, Switzerland defeated Edinburgh 37-21. Kelso had 12 points and Ashlyn Covington scored eight.

Switzerland, now 5-0 on the season, hosts North Decatur on Wednesday and hosts Milan on Tuesday, Nov. 28.

• Southwestern jayvee girls basketball defeated South Dearborn 40-22 Saturday on the road.

Kinsten Long had 16 points and Sophie Ford eight to lead the Rebels.

Southwestern, now 3-1 on the season, hosted Madison on Monday and travels to Medora on Saturday, Dec. 2.

Submitted

Southwestern's eighth grade boys basketball team won the Switzerland County Invitational on Saturday. Members of the team are (from left): Luke Coles, Andrew Nussbaum, Judah Miller, Colton Deputy, Luke Morrow, Bentley Falconberry, Zeke Weatherbee, Gavin Barnes and Trevor Swalley.

Submitted

Southwestern's unbeaten seventh grade boys basketball team (10-0) won the Switzerland County Invitational on Saturday. Members of the team are (from left): Front — Brady Bowman, Jaxon Higgins, Darray Reed and Shane Hill; back — Coach Chad Lewis, Logan Brown, Derrick Carlock, Levi Franklin, Parker Hamilton and Quenton Lewis.

Southwestern wrestlers open season with 2 wins

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Southwestern's wrestling squad scored a pair of victories in its season-opening matches on Saturday at home.

The Rebels defeated Brown County 42-36 in the first match and Rock Creek Academy 30-12 in the second.

Winners for Southwestern against Brown County were: Aaron Dominguez, Ayden Bowling, Gage Pennington, Jon Brinkley, Damien Hernandez-Perez, Case Lawson and Elliott Brooks.

Winners against Rock Creek were: Bowling, Brinkley, Hernandez-Perez and Lawson.

Southwestern, now 2-0 on the season, travels to Madison on Tuesday for the annual Battle of the Paddle matchup. The Rebels then head to Scottsburg for the Fugate Invitational on Friday, Dec. 1.

Panthers open HCAC women's season with win over Earlham

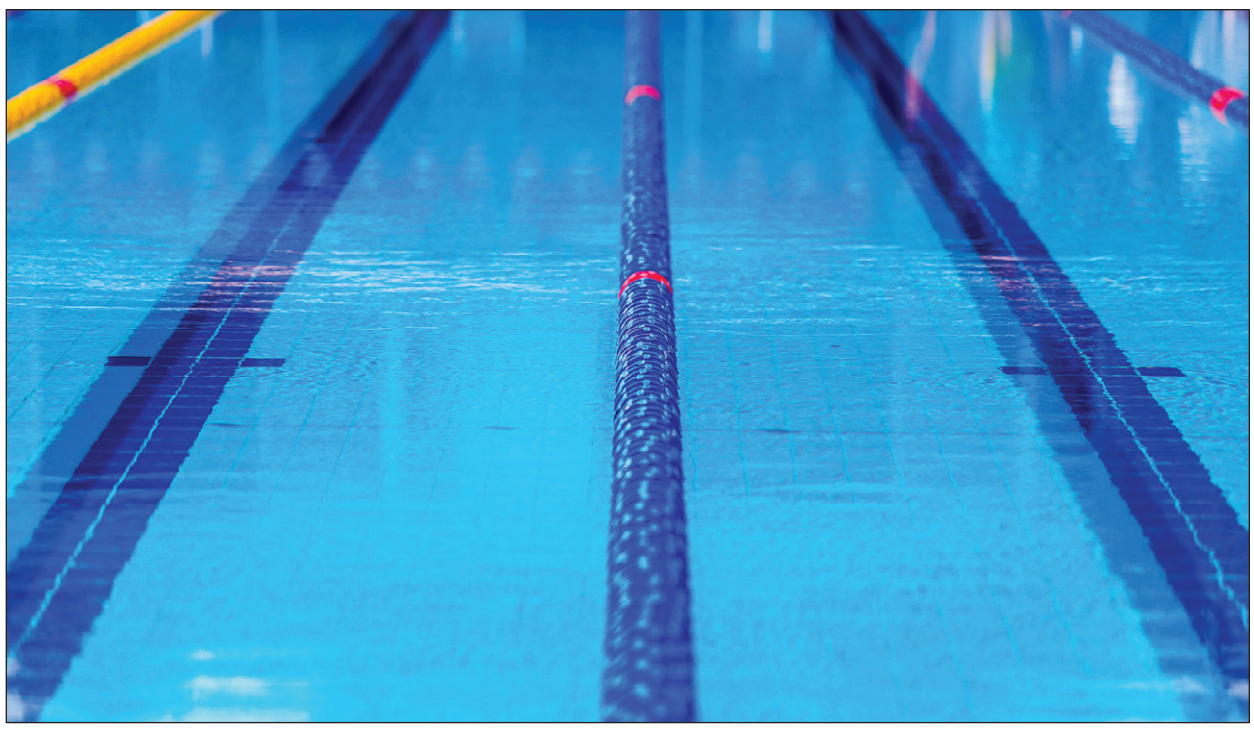
BY THE COURIER STAFF

Hanover College women's basketball opened the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference play with a 75-59 win at Earlham on Saturday.

The Panthers used a 15-8 second quarter rally to seize some breathing room and then outscored Earlham 23-16 in the third quarter to pull away.

Grace Bezold continued her great start to the season with a double-double of 21 points and 14 rebounds to lead the Panthers. Kylah Lawson scored 11 points and had six rebounds and Katherine Benter had 10 points.

Hanover, now 2-1 overall and 1-0 HCAC, hosted Centre on Monday and returns to action on Friday, Dec. 1, when the Panthers face host Washington in the WashU Classic in St. Louis.



MEN FINISH 2ND AT WASHU

Hanover men's basketball dropped a 77-62 decision to host Washington (Mo.) to finish second in the Washington University Lopata Tournament in St. Louis on Saturday.

Hanover opened the tourney with an 81-66 win over Wisconsin-Eau Claire in the semifinals on Friday. Ty Houston had 16 points, Max Greenamoyer had 13 points and seven rebounds and Avery Saunders had 13 points for the Panthers.

Against Washington, Houston had 18 points and six rebounds and Matt Munoz had nine points and four rebounds.

Hanover, now 3-2 on the season, travels to Hope (Mich.) on Tuesday and opens HCAC play on Saturday, Dec. 2, at Earlham.

PANTHERS SWIM AT OHIO WESLEYAN

Hanover's swim teams competed in the 13th annual Corbiere/Merion Invitational at Ohio Wesleyan over the weekend.

The women placed fourth in the six-team field with 164 points while the men were sixth with 105. Davis & Elkins (WV) won both events, scoring 734 points in the men's competition and 652 in the women's.

Results for the Hanover women were: Alaina Simmons, sixth, 100 back, 1:08.28, ninth, 200 back, 2:34.88 and 11th, 100 free, 1:00.94; Lucy Schoenlein, Amelia Austin, Aidah Shuttlesworth and Simmons, sixth, 400 free relay, 4:21.34 and ninth, 200 medley relay, 2:08.07; Shuttlesworth, 10th, 200 IM, 2:33.05 and 13th, 200 breast, 2:55.13; Schoenlein, 13th, 100 free, 1:02.58; and Austin, 14th, 200 breast, 3:00.62, 18th, 100 breast, 1:23.94 and 24th, 100 free, 1:11.46.

Results for the Hanover men were: Callum Buchanan, Charlie Weida, Chet Paulsen and Dustin Wilson, third, 400 free relay, 3:23.82 and fifth, 200 medley relay, 1:45.14; Paulsen, fourth, 200 free, 1:51.98; Buchanan, fifth, 200 free, 1:53.53 and seventh, 100 free, 49.90; Wilson, ninth, 100 free, 50.12, ninth, 100 fly, 58.30 and 12th, 100 back, 1:01.75; Weida, 11th, 200 breast, 2:45.98, 13th, 100 breast, 1:12.15 and 19h, 100 free, 54.15; and Boaz Hoffer, 16th, 100 breast, 1:16.50 and 22nd, 100 free, 1:01.16.

Hanover's next meet is not until Jan. 20 when the Panthers swim at Wittenberg (Ohio).

Burrow to miss rest of season with torn ligament in wrist

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Joe Burrow will miss the rest of the season with a torn ligament in his right wrist, ending a disappointing campaign for the Cincinnati Bengals' star quarterback in the first year of a $275 million contract.

Burrow and Cincinnati coach Zac Taylor disclosed the injury Friday and said it would likely require surgery.

The 26-year-old Burrow established himself as one of the league's top quarterbacks while leading the Bengals to the Super Bowl after the 2021 season and the AFC title game the following year, goals that now appear unattainable for Cincinnati (5-5) with his backup, Jake Browning, taking over. The Bengals are last in the AFC North after winning the division the previous two years.

Burrow left during the second quarter of a 34-20 loss at Baltimore on Thursday night after he threw a 4-yard touchdown pass to Joe Mixon. Burrow doubled over in pain and held his wrist after the throw.

He said Friday the injury likely happened on the play before, when he landed on his wrist on a hit by Jadeveon Clowney after throwing a 9-yard pass to Mixon. Burrow added he didn't know he landed on his wrist until he saw video of the play.

"I felt a pop in the middle of the throw. I tried to give it a go but couldn't get it done and got the news today. I had a feeling before we got the official news (what the result would be)," said Burrow, who was 11 of 17 for 101 yards and a touchdown when he left the game.

Burrow's insistence that his injury happened on that hit came after the NFL decided to investigate why he was left off the team's pregame injury report, a person familiar with the situation told The Associated Press, speaking on condition of anonymity because the review was not being publicly discussed.

The Bengals had posted and later deleted a video on social media appearing to show Burrow wearing a soft cast before the game, but the star QB said he only had on a compression sleeve, which is something he had worn previously on flights.

After exiting the game, Burrow tried practice throws on the sideline but the ball slipped out of his hand as he winced in pain. Burrow then went to the locker room and looked frustrated.

This is the second time in Burrow's four-year career he has suffered a season-ending injury in Week 11. He tore two ligaments in his left knee during a game against Washington in 2020. The following year, he led Cincinnati to its first Super Bowl since the 1988 season and was named Comeback Player of the Year.

"I've been through stuff like this before so it's nothing new. Like I said, it's football, stuff like this happens. Just got to learn to live with it," Burrow said.

Schedule, Burrow injury daunting challenge to Bengals' playoff hopes

BY JOE REEDY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Even before Joe Burrow's season-ending wrist injury was announced, the Cincinnati Bengals already were facing a challenging road in trying to get back to the playoffs for a third straight season.

Without Burrow, that might be too big of a hill to climb.

Thursday night's 34-20 loss to the Baltimore Ravens evened the Bengals' record at 5-5. When Jake Browning walks into the complex on Monday to begin preparations for the Nov. 26 game against Pittsburgh, it will be for a team that is only one game out of wild-card spot.

However, the Bengals are an AFC-worst 1-5 in conference games and are winless in their three division matchups.

Cincinnati's six remaining opponents — it plays the Steelers twice — are .500 or better. If there is any modicum of hope, it is that Indianapolis, Minnesota and Cleveland also are fielding backup quarterbacks.

"I don't feel a lot of weight. Maybe I'm the one off with that assessment," Browning told reporters on Friday. "I think I would be doing myself a disservice if I started hopping into all the different narratives of a good player going down. Not really my job. My job is to keep trying to get better, focus on the day to day, week to week and game to game.

"It sounds kind of repetitive, but there's a lot of different ways your mind can go. If you take everything and just narrow it down to: 'Hey, here's what I really need to focus on. Here's what actually matters,' everything else kind of falls into place."

Browning spent the past two seasons on the Bengals' practice squad before being elevated to Burrow's backup this season. Against the Ravens, Browning was 8 of 14 for 68 yards and threw a touchdown pass late in the fourth quarter.

Browning played at the University of Washington, where he was a four-year starter and led the Huskies to a pair of Pac-12 titles. He went undrafted, though, and spent the 2019 and '20 seasons on Minnesota's practice squad.

Coach Zac Taylor said that Taylor getting a lot of snaps during training camp, when Burrow was out because of a calf injury, and being in Cincinnati for three seasons was a benefit when trying to install a game plan.

"I feel really comfortable he can do all the things we ask our guys to do in our offense. So, it doesn't take anything off the table," Taylor said. "Obviously, you want to continue to play to his strengths. You continue to change conversations from, 'Hey, Joe, what do you like in the plan?' to more, 'Hey, Jake, what do you feel most comfortable about in these situations?' That's the only thing that really changes within the scope of our offense. Everything stays on the table."

WHAT'S WORKING

Browning showed he can be shifty when pressured. He was sacked three times, but he also gained 40 yards on four quarterback scrambles, including two that picked up a first down.

WHAT NEEDS HELP

Logan Wilson's reputation. The linebacker was taken to task by some Ravens players and coach John Harbaugh after it appeared Wilson used a hip-drop tackle to bring down Mark Andrews on the opening drive of the game. Andrews suffered a season-ending ankle injury on the play, when he fumbled the ball and Wilson recovered at the Bengals 4-yard line.

"It's been brought to my attention the narrative that's out there right now, which I think is completely reckless. He plays the game the right way. People have gotten ahead of themselves. Labeled him a certain way. It's frustrating to see that," Taylor said Friday. "I know what the guy is about and that guys are playing the game the right way. It's unfortunate any time a player gets injured. But he's a guy I'm proud to coach and proud to be a part of this team."

STOCK UP

Rookie safety Jordan Battle had a season-high 11 tackles, including 10 solo stops. He also saw a season-best 57 snaps.

STOCK DOWN

Offensive tackle Orlando Brown allowed five quarterback pressures in 14 one-on-one matchups against Baltimore linebacker Odafe Oweh. According to the NFL's Next Gen Stats, Brown has allowed 31 quick pressures this season, seven more than any other offensive lineman in the NFL. Quick pressures are defined as the quarterback being pressured within 2 ½ seconds after the snap.

INJURIES

Taylor had no updates on CB Cam Taylor-Britt, who left the game because of a thigh bruise, as well as WR Tee Higgins (hamstring) and DE Sam Hubbard (ankle), who were inactive.

KEY NUMBER

5 — Seasons since 2008 that a Bengals starting quarterback has not been able to finish the season. There was Carson Palmer in 2008, Andy Dalton in 2015 and '18 and Burrow in 2020 before this season.

NEXT STEPS

The Bengals look to avoid dropping their first four AFC North games for the first time since 2020 when they host the Pittsburgh Steelers on Nov. 26.

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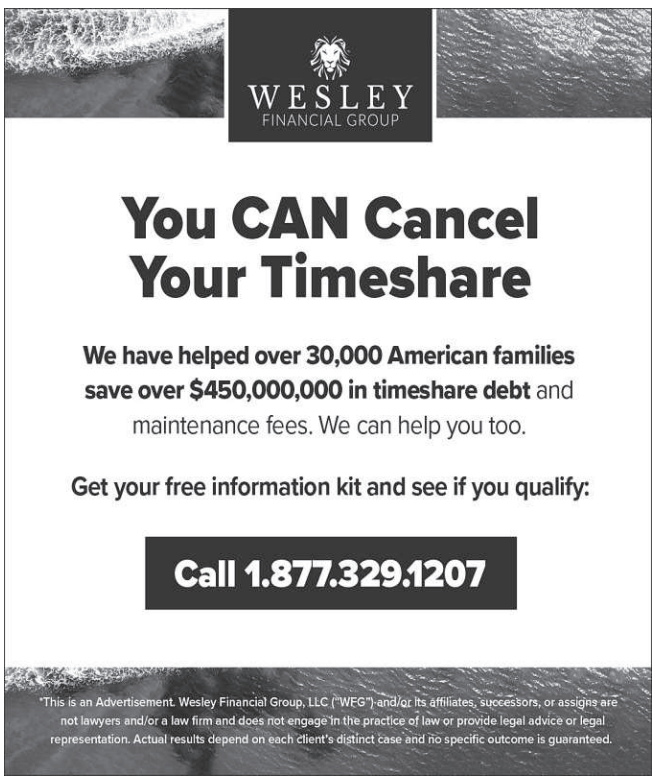
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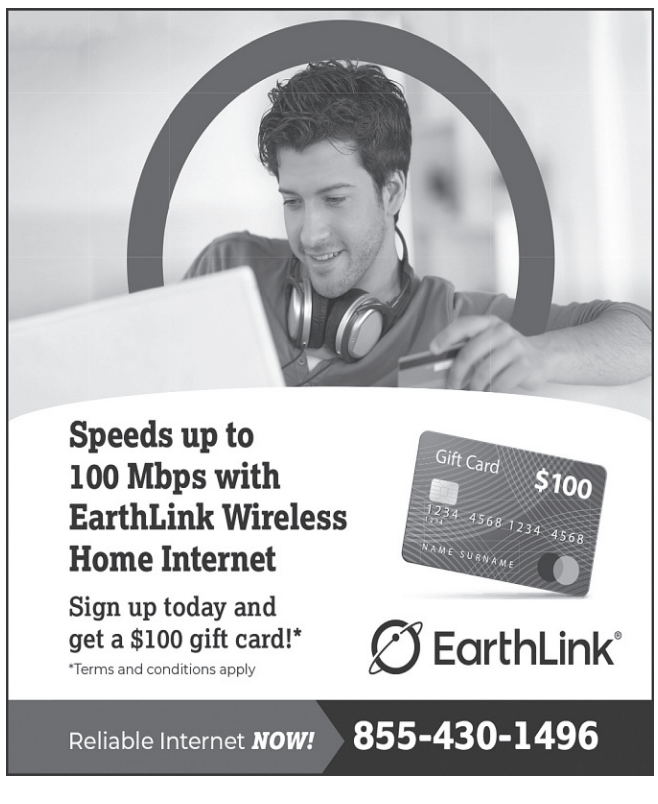
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Surprising season has Colts in playoff conversation

BY MICHAEL MAROT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts opened this season seemingly content to rebuild behind a first-time head coach and a rookie quarterback. Their top rusher was hurt and mired in an ugly contract dispute and their defensive leader was taking limited snaps.

Inside the team complex, though, nobody wrote off this season — certainly not after missing the playoffs three straight times.

And now, entering the bye week, the Colts find themselves sitting at 5-5 and one of the bigger surprises in the AFC playoff mix.

"It's just a confidence boost knowing we have a realistic push to make a playoff run," two-time Pro Bowl defensive tackle DeForest Buckner said after Sunday's win in Germany. "We have a lot of guys who are banged up, and we have this bye week to really recover and get our bodies right to make this push."

Few foresaw this conversation last summer, even before the dramatic midseason twists and turns.

Backup quarterback Gardner Minshew finished three of the four games Anthony Richardson started and then took over as the starter when the fourth overall pick in April's draft went down with a season-ending right shoulder injury in Week 5.

While the rollercoaster performances have not quite rekindled the Minshew Mania magic that permeated his rookie season in Jacksonville, he is 3-3 as the starter and has won two straight despite producing only two touchdown drives.

"I think it's just the belief and the resilience. No matter what the circumstances are — if the offense ain't scoring points like we haven't been the last two weeks, the defense has stepped up," coach Shane Steichen said. "We're finding ways to win games and that's the stat that matters, winning football games."

Minshew wasn't the only one who had to adapt quickly.

Indy thought pairing 2021 NFL rushing champ Jonathan Taylor with the versatile rookie QB could produce a devastating ground game.

Instead, Taylor missed the first four games while recovering from offseason ankle surgery and complaining about the NFL's devaluing of running backs. When Taylor did return after agreeing to a three-year $42 million contract extension, Zack Moss was the NFL's No. 2 rusher, allowing Richardson and Taylor to take only one snap together.

"I think the No. 1 thing is to just stay engaged on what your goal is," Taylor said when asked about his advice for Richardson. "It can seem mundane. It can seem like you are in a cycle that won't end: When will my body take the next step? Just stay focused on the goal."

Taylor's words also apply to Indy's defense.

The Colts rank in the top six in sacks, strip sacks and fumble recoveries despite a forgettable October in which they allowed 114 points during a three-game losing streak and seeing three-time All-Pro linebacker Shaquille Leonard play the lowest snap percentage of his career following two back surgeries.

Over the last two weeks, though, Indy turned things around against New England and Carolina, which have the worst records in their respective conferences. The Colts allowed just one TD and 19 points.

"I feel like the games we've lost have just been when the defense really took it on the chin," defensive end Kwity Paye said Tuesday. "We didn't do our part and they scored more points than we wanted and that resulted in us losing games. These past two games kind of showed what we can do."

And more opportunities lie ahead.

While the Colts lack the depth or explosiveness of division-leaders such as Kansas City or Miami, they've already beaten AFC North-leading Baltimore and the surprising Houston Texans on the road and remain ahead of popular preseason playoff picks such as Buffalo and the Los Angeles Chargers.

Indy also has a favorable schedule.

Only two of their final seven opponents — Pittsburgh (6-3) and Cincinnati (5-4) — have winning records and only Houston is ranked among the top 20 in points per game.

So, somehow with Minshew as the starting quarterback, Taylor still not back to his old self and Moss' role starting to fade, Steichen has constructed an offense that's scoring more than a touchdown higher per game, going from 17.0 points to 24.2 — enough to put Indy in the postseason hunt.

It's right where the Colts hoped to be in mid-November.

"Years past, we have started off the year pretty slow — 1-5 seasons and things like that," tight end Mo Alie-Cox said. "Just having momentum going into a bye, getting back to .500, especially coming off a three-game losing streak being able to get two in a row we've put ourselves in a good position."

NFL investigating omission of Burrow on injury report

BY ROB MAADDI
AP PRO FOOTBALL WRITER

The NFL is investigating why the Cincinnati Bengals did not list Joe Burrow on their injury report before Thursday night's game at Baltimore, which Burrow exited in the second quarter with a wrist injury that will end his season, a person familiar with the decision told The Associated Press on Friday.

The Bengals had posted and later deleted a video on social media that showed Burrow getting off a bus before the team's 34-20 loss to the Ravens with his right hand in what appeared to be a soft cast.

Burrow said Friday he was wearing a compression sleeve for reasons not related to his season-ending injury.

"This is a completely different thing," Burrow said. "It's not uncommon for guys to wear compression sleeves on planes because when you go up to that altitude, you know, things can swell up. In football, you have a lot of bumps and bruises. This is a completely new injury."

NFL officials regularly review similar cases, according to the person who spoke to The AP on condition of anonymity because the review is not being publicly discussed. Teams can be fined or lose a draft pick for violating the NFL's injury report policy.

Cincinnati coach Zac Taylor announced Friday that Burrow will need surgery for a torn ligament in his throwing wrist. Taylor said he didn't know what Burrow had on his throwing hand coming off the team bus. The coach said Burrow practiced fully all week and looked great in pregame warmups.

"Guys wear different compression things on the plane all the time," Taylor said. "I haven't made it a point to ask them all about it every time they do it."

Burrow, 26, exited the game after throwing a 4-yard touchdown pass to Joe Mixon. When he tried a practice throw on the sideline, the ball slipped out of his hand as the quarterback winced in pain. Burrow then went to the locker room and looked frustrated.

ESPN.com first reported the investigation into the Bengals (5-5).

Burrow was 11 of 17 for 101 yards and the TD when he left. Backup Jake Browning replaced him with the Bengals trailing 14-10.

Burrow dealt with a calf injury earlier this season, but he hasn't missed a game this year.

This is the second time in Burrow's four-year NFL career he has suffered a season-ending injury in Week 11. He tore the ACL and MCL in his left knee during a game against Washington in 2020, his rookie year after he was taken as the No. 1 overall draft pick out of LSU.

Reds decline to offer Senzel contract for next season

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Reds cut ties with Nick Senzel on Friday, declining to offer their former first-round draft pick a contract for next season.

Senzel became one of Cincinnati's top prospects when he was selected by the Reds with the No. 2 overall pick in the 2016 amateur draft. But his career has been stalled by a series of injuries.

Senzel, who played college ball at the University of Tennessee, hit .236 with a career-best 13 homers in 104 games this year. He has seen most of his big league action in center field, but he also can play second base, third base and the corner outfield spots.

The 28-year-old Senzel is a .239 hitter with 33 homers and 125 RBIs in 377 major league appearances.

Cincinnati also non-tendered pitchers Derek Law and Reiver Sanmartin. Law went 4-6 with a 3.60 ERA and two saves in 54 games this year. Sanmartin finished with a 1-0 record and a 7.07 ERA in 14 major league appearances in 2023.

TUESDAY EVENING

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3 WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	WAV..	News	The Voice		The Voice (N)		Found (N)		WAV..
4 WTTV	4		CBS4..	CBSN..	BigBa..	Sheldon	NCIS (N)		Raid-Cage (N)		FBI True (N)		CBS4..
5 WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	WLWT	Hollyw..	The Voice		The Voice (N)		Found (N)		News
8 WISH	12		News (N)		Inside..	ET (N)	Inside the NFL		Whose..	Whose..	News (N)		News
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	News	Extra	Dancing With the Stars (N)				Press-Luck (N)		News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	Dancing With the Stars (N)				Press-Luck (N)		News
15 WKPC	13		Ameri..	Edition	NewsHour (N)		Groundbreakers (N)				Frontline (N)		
19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	Jeopar..	Name-Tune		9-1-1: Lone Star		FOX19 (N)		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	CBSN..	Wheel	Jeopar..	NCIS (N)		Raid-Cage (N)		FBI True (N)		News
34 WBKI	7	7	Neighb..	House..	Sheldon	BigBa..	Inside the NFL		Whose..	Whose..	BigBa..	Sheldon	LastM..
41 WDRB	8	9	WDR..	News	FamFe..	FamFe..	Name-Tune		9-1-1: Lone Star		WDRB News		WDR..
A&E	28	36	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Custo..	Custo..	Neighb..
AMC	29	26	★★★ The Holiday ('06) Cameron Diaz. (P)						★★★★ Love Actually ('03) Hugh Grant.				
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Office	Office	(:20) The Office		Office	Office	Office	Office	DailyS..
DISC	31	38	(5:00) Street		Street Outlaws		Street "Thunderstruck" (N)				Street (N)		Street
DISN	25	29	Kiff	Big City	Big City	Big City	★★★ Big Hero 6 ('14)		Ladyb..		Ladyb..	Ladyb..	Jessie
ESPN	32	44	SportCtr (N)		Top 25 (N)		College Basketball				Basket..	Basketball	
FREE	18	40	(5:00) Ice Age: ...		★★★★ Mulan ('98) Ming-Na Wen.				★★★★ The Lion King ('94)				700Club
FX	40	28	★★★★ Avengers: Endgame ('19) Chris Evans, Robert Downey Jr..								Fargo (N) (SP)		Fargo
HBO	201	17	Movie	(:50) ★★★ Black Adam ('22) The Rock.					Hard (N) (SP)		Sports (N)		Love..
MAX	270	73	Movie	(:25) ★★★ Road Trip			★★★ Equals ('15)			(:45) ★★★ Moonfall ('22)			
NEWSNTN	20	20	Elizabeth (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	★★ Gone in 60 Seconds Nicolas Cage.					Jack Reacher	
SHOW	221	16	(5:00) Counselor		Caine Mutiny Court-Martial				The Crusades ('23)			Buddy Game...	
TMC	233	74	(:05) ★★★ Striptease ('96)				★★★★★ Dead Man Walking ('95)				(:05) Midnight Cowboy		
TNT	27	43	(4:30) Account...		Tip-Off	NBA Basketball					NBA Basketball		
USA	26	33	Law-SVU		Law-SVU		WWE NXT (N) (Live)				(:10) Let's Be Cops (P)		

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3 WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	WAV..	News	Macy's (N)		Saturday Night Live				WAV..
4 WTTV	4		CBS4..	CBSN..	BigBa..	Sheldon	Survivor (N)			The Amazing Race (N)			CBS4..
5 WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	WLWT	Hollyw..	Macy's (N)		Saturday Night Live				News
8 WISH	12		News (N)		Inside..	ET (N)	Sullivan's (N)		Sisters (N)		News (N)		News
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	News	Extra	Jeopardy!		Celebrity Wheel		Pyramid		News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	Jeopardy!		Celebrity Wheel		Pyramid		News
15 WKPC	13		Ameri..	Edition	NewsHour (N)		Predator		NOVA (N)		Secrets (N)		BBCN..
19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	Jeopar..	Masked		Snake Oil		FOX19 (N)		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	CBSN..	Wheel	Jeopar..	Survivor (N)			The Amazing Race (N)			News
34 WBKI	7	7	Neighb..	House..	Sheldon	BigBa..	Sullivan's (N)		Sisters (N)		BigBa..	Sheldon	LastM..
41 WDRB	8	9	WDR..	News	FamFe..	FamFe..	Masked		Snake Oil		WDRB News		WDR..
A&E	28	36	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court..	Interro..	Interro..	Court..
AMC	29	26	(4:00) Bridesm...		★★★ Sweet Home Alabama ('02)					★★★ Sweet Home Alabama ('02)			
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Office	Office	(:20) The Office		Office	Office	Office	Office	DailyS..
DISC	31	38	Expedition		Expedition		Expedition		Expedition (N)		(:10) Mystery (N)		Expedi..
DISN	25	29	★★★★ Ratatouille ('07)				The Naughty Nine (P)			Villains	Big City	Big City	Movie
ESPN	32	44	(5:00) Basketball		NBA	NBA Basketball					NBA Basketball		
FREE	18	40	Movie	★★★★★ Finding Nemo ('03) Albert Brooks.					★★★★ Finding Dory ('16)				700Club
FX	40	28	(4:00) Solo: A S...	★★★★ Rogue One: A Star Wars Story ('16)							Rogue One: A Star W...		
HBO	201	17	★★★★ Gran Torino ('08)				★★ Fantastic Four ('15)		(:45) ★★★ Ronin ('98)				
MAX	270	73	(5:50) ★★★★ Spotlight ('15)				★★★ The Perfect Score		(:35) ★★★ Thanks for Sharing				
NEWSNTN	20	20	Elizabeth (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	★★★★★ Raiders of the Lost Ark ('81)					Indiana Jone...	
SHOW	221	16	(5:25) Inspection		★★★ The Whale ('22)				The Curse		★★★★ Boogie Nights		
TMC	233	74	Movie	(:35) Monster Squad			★★★ The Brothers Grimm ('05)				Mary Shelley's Franke...		
TNT	27	43	Movie	Pre-Ga..	NHL Hockey					NHL Hockey			
USA	26	33	Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-S..

THURSDAY EVENING

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3 WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	WAV..	News	Football /(:15) Football						
4 WTTV	4		(4:30) NFL Football				Sheldon	Ghosts	Ghosts..	Ghosts..	SEAL Team (N)		CBS4..
5 WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	WLWT	Hollyw..	Football /(:15) Football						
8 WISH	12		News (N)		Inside..	ET (N)	Son of a	Childr..	Whose..	JokeOff	News (N)		News
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	News	Extra	Bachelor		Bachelor		Bachelor		News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	Bachelor		Bachelor		Bachelor		News
15 WKPC	13		Ameri..	Edition	NewsHour (N)		Antiques (N)		Doc Martin		Father Brown		BBCN..
19 WXIX	10		Basketball Tennessee vs. Indiana				Hell's Kitchen		LEGO Masters		FOX19 (N)		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	(4:30) NFL Football				Sheldon	Ghosts	Ghosts..	Ghosts..	SEAL Team (N)		News
34 WBKI	7	7	Neighb..	House..	Sheldon	BigBa..	Son of a	Childr..	Whose..	JokeOff	BigBa..	Sheldon	LastM..
41 WDRB	8	9	Basketball Tennessee vs. Indiana				Hell's Kitchen		LEGO Masters		WDRB News		WDR..
A&E	28	36	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		First48
AMC	29	26	(5:00) National ...		National Lampoon's European ...				★★ Vegas Vacation ('97)				Movie
COM	45	59	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Movie
DISC	31	38	Homestead		Homestead		Homestead Rescue				Homestead Rescue		
DISN	25	29	(:15) ★★★★ Encanto ('21) (P)				The Naughty Nine			Ladyb..	Ladyb..	Raven's Home	
ESPN	32	44	(5:00) Basketball		Count..	Football Ole Miss at Mississippi State (N) (Live)						SportCtr (N)	
FREE	18	40	(5:50) ★★★★ Home Alone ('90)				(:20) ★★★ Home Alone 2: Lost in New York ('92)						700Club
FX	40	28	Movie	★★★★ Star Wars: The Last Jedi ('17) Mark Hamill.							Star Wars: Rise of Sky...		
HBO	201	17	The Gilded Age		The Gilded Age		★★★ Black Adam ('22) The Rock.				Shazam! Fury of the G...		
MAX	270	73	(:10) ★★★★ Whip It ('09)				★★★ Life After Beth			★★ Blended ('14) Adam Sandler.			
NEWSNTN	20	20	Elizabeth (N)		On Balance (N)		NewsNation		NewsNation		NewsNation		NewsN..
PARMT	35	41	(5:40) Y..	(:45) Yellowstone		(:40) Yellowstone		(:45) Yellowstone		(:50) Yellowstone			Yellow..
SHOW	221	16	(5:15) Mafia M...		★★★★★ The Godfather ('72) Marlon Brando.						The Godfather, Part II		
TMC	233	74	(5:45) ★★★ The Wiz ('78)				★★★★ Beverly Hills Cop			(:45) ★★★ Beverly Hills Cop II			
TNT	27	43	(5:15) Four Ch...		★★★★ Elf ('03) Will Ferrell.				National Lampoon's Christmas ...				Movie
USA	26	33	(4:00) Harry P...		★★★★ Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire ('05)							Harry Potter ...	

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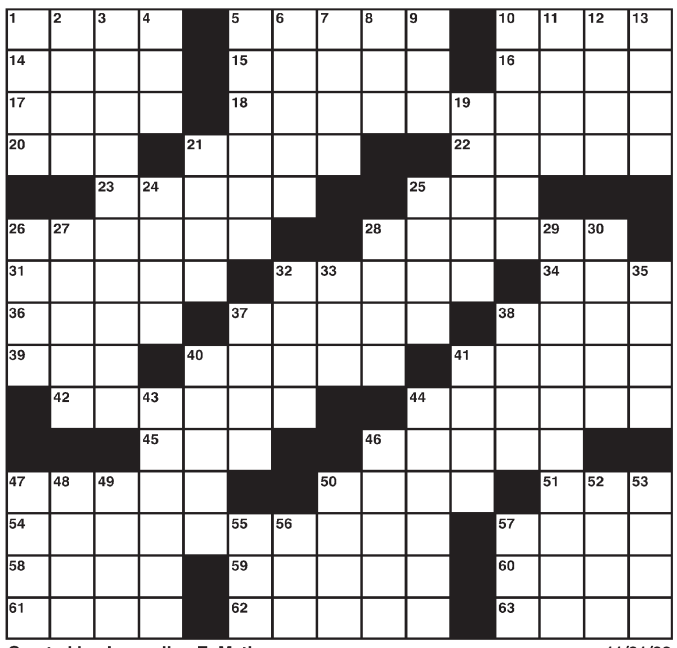

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ACROSS
1 "__ grip!"; cry to the hysterical
5 Babble
10 Disgusting
14 Carter & Winehouse
15 Foot-long item
16 Second to __; the best
17 Gentlemen
18 Ghost
20 "Harper Valley __"
21 Bakery display
22 Makes a scene
23 Racket
25 Gunslinger Holliday
26 Set on fire
28 "Praying" bug
31 Manicurist's focus
32 Goals for negotiators
34 "O Sole __"
36 Tourette's symptoms
37 "Deal or No Deal" host
38 Burst forth, as a liquid
39 Put __ pedestal; idolize
40 Bundled alfalfa
41 Cleanse
42 Coat part
44 Big brawls
45 Compete
46 Carpet layer's boxful
47 Bit of mistletoe
50 Tattletale
51 Jacuzzi
54 Going forward
57 Dangerous animal
58 Vane direction
59 Forward thrust
60 Chef's need
61 Easter egg solutions
62 Near the center
63 Jewels

DOWN
1 Shocked sound
2 Give off, as light
3 Overbearing; heavy-handed
4 Primitive transport
5 Speak highly of
6 Bill with Gandhi's picture
7 "Heidi" setting
8 Soothing drink
9 Goof
10 Still whole
11 Bit of change
12 Lumber blemish
13 Hankerings
19 Small appliances
21 Prune stones
24 Renoir's paintings
25 Actor Robertson
26 Lay __; attack
27 Puts on weight
28 Housekeeper
29 Awe-inspiring
30 Military blockade
32 Big name in pineapple
33 Flock member
35 Runs up a tab
37 "__ I got news for you!"
38 Pout
40 Neutral color
41 Actor Gregory
43 Kicks out a tenant
44 "Away in a __"
46 Slight coloring
47 Drove 100 mph
48 Say the rosary, e.g.
49 Wild __; Iowa's state flower
50 Huckleberry, for one
52 Sonnet or limerick
53 Jillian's namesakes
55 Football's Manning
56 Final bill
57 Journal

Today's Puzzle Solved

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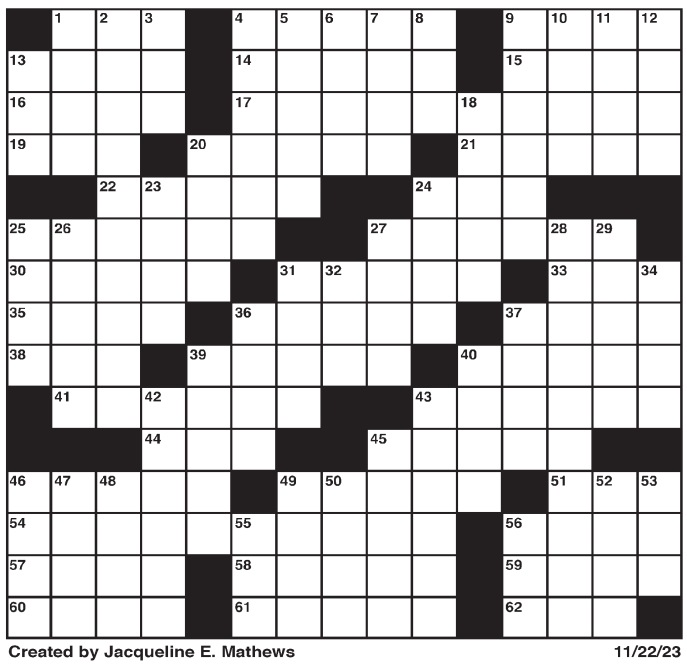

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ACROSS
1 Lay down the lawn
4 Terrible twos, e.g.
9 Crossed the pool
13 __-ran; election loser
14 King or queen
15 Vigorous
16 Big __; fast-food burgers
17 Cold & businesslike
19 "What __, chopped liver?"
20 Off-kilter
21 Happening
22 Added booze to
24 __ West
25 Greasier
27 Dress shirt part
30 __ apple; neck feature
31 Earnest requests
33 Blubber
35 "Darn it!"
36 Close, for one
37 __-crazy; tired of confinement
38 "Ain't __ Sweet"
39 Icy coating
40 Uppsala resident
41 Fish hawk
43 Few and far between
44 TV's "__ & Order"
45 Failures
46 Alley cat
49 Short-tailed weasel
51 That boy
54 Passing
56 Ill-mannered person
57 Sow's squeal
58 Weight unit
59 __ up; refuses to behave
60 Saucepans
61 Big name in auto racing
62 Letters before an alias

DOWN
1 Criticize harshly
2 Swings back & forth
3 Two in Tijuana
4 Child's textbook
5 Like New Orleans weather
6 Scenic range
7 Observes
8 Make a faux pas
9 Groundbreaking tool
10 Dwindle
11 Pres. Chester __ Arthur
12 Become liquid
13 "I __ Rock"; 1966 song
18 Marine mammals
20 Many hardware stores
23 Objectives
24 __ and groan; bellyache
25 Boatman's items
26 "The Gem State"
27 Penny
28 Earthquake's follower
29 Sudden attacks
31 Wily scheme
32 Man's nickname
34 Apple bearer
36 Expanded
37 Exchange
39 Ravels
40 Classic dog's name
42 Boards
43 Assassin
45 Part of USAF
46 Say no more
47 Musketeers or Stooges
48 Angry speech
49 Knock for a loop
50 Huge amount, slangily
52 Smidgen
53 Fem. title
55 Part of a vowel list
56 Lamb's cry

Today's Puzzle Solved

Exclusion brings out the worst in in-laws

AMY DICKINSON
ASK AMY

Dear Amy: When our son and his wife announced their pregnancy (our first grandchild) it was at an event held at her folks' house. They announced that her mother was going to be a grandmother for a fourth time, completely leaving us out and never mentioning us, even though we were there. We told them that we were upset about how the announcement was made, but we understood that they didn't mean to hurt us. We asked them to please keep in mind that their child will have two sets of grandparents. They seemed genuinely stunned and were very sorry. We forgave them, moved on and never mentioned the episode to anyone. Her mother became more distant and cold toward us. It seems that our daughter-in-law related this episode to her.

A few months later, when the kids announced the baby's name, it was again a showcase only on her parents. We were not acknowledged. I must have looked hurt. Her parents then exploded at us, threatening violence and calling us narcissistic. They said very mean and nasty things, and mocked me for being hurt. She told me that I would have "Hell to pay" if I ever corrected her daughter again. This played out in front of other people, who were just as stunned as my husband and I were. Now they completely ignore us. We are no longer invited to family gatherings, changing the whole dynamic of our two families.

Importantly, since the baby's birth, our son and daughter-in-law are very inclusive. They have been very kind to us throughout. I actually feel like we are closer than we were before, even though we have never talked about what happened. We don't want to put them in the middle.

I'm wondering if we should try to talk to her parents about this, or should we leave it be?

— First-time Grandparents

Dear Grandparents: Kudos to you and your son and daughter-in-law for handling this exclusion issue immediately and respectfully. Your honesty and discretion seems to have set this important relationship on a positive course.

In terms of the other in-laws, if you can think of a legitimate or pressing reason to risk their wrath, then go ahead and wade in. But avoiding rude and volatile people is a natural and protective instinct, and steering clear is a logical consequence of their behavior toward you.

You might, however, ask your daughter-in-law if she would like for you to attempt to reach out to her parents for any reason. In my view, this is not putting her in the middle of anything but is showing her that you are sensitive and respectful.

Distant relationship might not be mom's fault

AMY DICKINSON
ASK AMY

Dear Amy: I am writing to you because I have hit a stalemate with my relationship with my mother.

We were always politely distant, but now that my father has died, the distance between my mother and me has grown.

For the past few years I have sent her flowers on the anniversary of my father's passing. In return I receive a polite email "thank you," as if she is speaking to a neighbor and not to her daughter.

She does not call or email unless it is to share news about someone who is ill or who has passed away.

I have always found her verbal and emotional behavior to be "self-indulgent."

She always speaks in terms of herself and what happens to her.

She shows little awareness or empathy to others.

I believe this behavior is "narcissistic," and I am so tired of trying to communicate or create an understanding between us.

I'm wondering if you have any suggestions.

— Exhausted Daughter

Dear Exhausted: Your mother's behavior might seem narcissistic, but you could consider alternative explanations and perhaps gain insight into your lifelong "politely distant" relationship if you consider what might be behind her behavior.

You might do some research on Asperger's Syndrome, to see if your mother has some of the characteristics of a person whose brain doesn't necessarily process information and emotions the way yours does.

I'm not suggesting that you attempt to diagnose your mother, but — based on your description, her behavior when she attempts to connect or respond to you is outside of the norm.

Learning about neurodivergence could lead you to understand your mother's reactions to you in a new way, which might change your interpretation and expectations when it comes to her.

Or not.

Consultations with a compassionate therapist would help you to untangle your relationship history with both of your parents.

If your goal is to find effective ways to cope with your frustration, therapy would help to lead you there.

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ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Honesty is the best policy and telling the truth could help set you apart from others. Be on time if you are meeting someone and show you are trustworthy and staunch, beyond that their opinion is out of your control.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Optimism, generosity, and a cheerful outlook could help keep you sailing high above a more pessimistic or negative crowd. Do your best to follow the instructions and address necessary tasks as they come up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — How you may react to a tornado of problems often depends on your perspective. If you remain sheltered inside your viewpoint could be different than someone battling the winds head on in a wide-open field.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Do your best to avoid burning bridges or taking offense over a minor misunderstanding. You may be able to patch things up quickly so remain patient until everything has settled down. Accept changes to upcoming plans with grace.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Paying attention to the details could help you prevent avoidable mistakes and prevent unpleasant repercussions. Routines may be boring and extra duties might be overwhelming, but the situation can pass quickly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You might regret making an impulsive purchase that knocks your budget askew. Romance may need to be put on the back burner while you focus your energies on fulfilling your promises and staying on top of obligations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — It can be difficult to avoid misunderstandings, especially if people may be working under pressure and have deadlines to meet. Avoid going on a shopping spree because you might need that money for an unexpected bill.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Seeing a job through to the end without cutting corners may need to be your priority. Leave no room for criticism or disapproval if you think you might be singled out unfairly. You could have the stamina and endurance to bounce back.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Neatness counts. Once you have finished with a project it may be time to put everything away in its proper place. Now is not the time to challenge authority or to pick a fight with a loved one who could overreact.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Loved ones could confuse you with fickle reactions or you may find you have misinterpreted someone else's need for attention as a lack of trust. Do your best to work it through by remaining straightforward and upfront.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Now is not the best time to make new investments or worry over current income. Avoid becoming entangled with a new friend who may be here today but gone tomorrow. Doing a job correctly can bring sufficient reward.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — You may not win any gold stars if you put off your tasks until another day. The pile on your desk might continue to grow if you do not deal with them promptly. Dwelling on the past could only slow you down.

ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You may find yourself being attracted to trendy and unique things currently. Someone you once believed was valuable might turn out to be unworthy. Put off major purchases for now and focus on catching up on work.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Mud-wrestle a pig and you'll only get filthy, but the pig won't mind at all. Use your knowledge of human nature to craft an approach with an elevated chance of delivering the actual outcome you are aiming for.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — If someone does not agree with your point of view do your best to avoid becoming sour and try not to take discouraging words to heart. You should be able to evade conflict by refusing to be lured into an argument.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You might be affected by your environment or atmospheric conditions. Surrounding yourself with somber music or negative people could bring a dark cloud but upbeat tunes and positive friends may spark your productivity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Confusion may be running rampant. Things you thought you knew might be erased and replaced by something less appealing or more restrictive. There can be an unfamiliar learning curve that could be mastered with a little effort.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You may be able to accomplish more and work more efficiently if you are able to close the door to avoid social chit chat. A romantic introduction could hit a brick wall so it might be best to put it on the back burner for now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — It may be unlikely that you can hit two targets with one ball. Try not to spread yourself too thin just to gain some attention. Remain flexible enough to follow the rules, but practical enough to be consistent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Some people may be oblivious to the damage they cause and leave behind a trail of accidental pain in their wake. Fortify your boundaries if needed, learn the lesson, then forgive them for your own peace of mind.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You do not need heavy machinery to plant a flower garden. Whether you are working on your finances or managing concerns with family members it may not be necessary to be heavy-handed about simple procedures.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Being rich may not always be measured by the money in the bank or the price tag of your belongings. Have gratitude for blessings of the heart as well as for your tangible earnings and accumulated possessions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — A distracted person and their money could be easily parted. Avoid being sidelined by some family squabbles or spontaneous social plans. You may forget to put a check in the mail or get behind on an important assignment.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Old issues may seem to be interfering with your current relationships. Look for ways to forgive, but do not forget. Take the lessons you have learned and apply them as you choose the best path forward.

Sheppard's 25 leads UK to 101-67 rout of Stonehill

BY KEITH TAYLOR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Freshman Reed Sheppard scored 25 points to lead No. 17 Kentucky to a 101-67 win over Stonehill on Friday night.

Sheppard added seven assists and three steals to lead four players in double figures. Kentucky (3-1) made 17 3-pointers, including 10 in the first half. Sheppard led the team with seven.

"We've got guys here that got a green light because they're really skilled," said Kentucky coach John Calipari.

Rob Dillingham, also a freshman, scored 20 points for Kentucky, and Antonio Reeves and Tre Mitchell added 15 each.

"Reed was tremendous," Calipari said. "So was Rob (Dillingham)."

Sheppard took advantage of open situations against Stonehill's zone defense and credited his teammates for their hand in his career-best outing.

"I've got to give a lot of the credit to my teammates," Sheppard said. "They were able to break down the zone and get me open shots. I was able to knock them down. So it's a super fun game and good shots are falling to us."

Coming off an 89-84 loss to No. 1 Kansas in the Champions Classic, the Wildcats showed no signs of a letdown and put the game beyond reach after the Skyhawks scored the first five points.

"That game in Chicago, the enormity of the game and then not get in until 4 a.m. in the morning and then bounce back and have to play this kind of game when they're playing the zone and they're not going to stop playing — I was really proud of the guys," Calipari said.

Trailing 10-5 three minutes into the contest, the Wildcats responded with a 25-5 run.

Kentucky scored a season-high 58 points in the opening half.

"I'm loving coaching these guys. I walk in the gym every day, I know they want to be coached," Calipari said.

Max Zegarowski and Tony Felder led Stonehill (1-4) with 15 points each, followed by Jackson Benigni with 11.

BIG PICTURE

Stonehill: The Skyhawks have played four of their first five games in the road and surrendered more than 100 points in three straight losses to No. 5 Connecticut (107-67), Saint Joseph's (100-56) and Kentucky. The contest against the Wildcats was the program's first against a Southeastern Conference foe.

"The last two weeks have been a learning experience for us," Stonehill coach Chris Kraus said. "We're still trying to figure out who we are."

Kentucky: The Wildcats began a four-game homestand. Kentucky is poised to make a jump in the Top 25 following the loss to Kansas in the Champions Classic on Tuesday night. Kentucky has proven to be a threat behind the arc and has made 39 3-pointers in the past two games.

UP NEXT

Kentucky was to host Saint Joseph's on Monday.

LEGAL

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON
ss:
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NO. 39C01-2311-GU-000068
IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF
MARLEY N. SPEER,
Adult.
BRANDY N. SPEER and
PATRICIA A. SPEER,
Petitioners.

NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CO-GUARDIANS OVER PERSON AND ESTATE OF ALLEGED INCAPACITATED PERSON AND HEARING THEREON

TO: John Hamilton
Whereabouts Unknown
John Hamilton, father of Marley N. Speer, is hereby notified that a Petition for the Appointment of Co-Guardians Over Person and Estate of Alleged Incapacitated Person was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Jefferson Circuit Court, Madison, Indiana, 47250, whereby Brandy N. Speer and Patricia A. Speer are requesting that they be appointed Co-Guardians over the person and estate of Marley N. Speer.
If John Hamilton wishes to contest said petition, he must appear before the above named court at a hearing on the 24th day of January, 2024at 9:00a.m.
in the Jefferson Circuit Court, 300 East Main Street, Madison, Indiana.
If John Hamilton does not appear at said above hearing, the above-named court will hear and determine the Petition for the Appointment of Co-Guardians Over Person and Estate of Alleged Incapacitated Person in his absence and may grant the relief requested in the petition.
39C01-2311-GU-000068
Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 14th day of November, 2023.
/s/ Tabatha Eblen
TABATHA EBLEN
Clerk, Jefferson Circuit Court
Attorney for Petitioners:
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LEGAL

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Testimony
Child Protection Service Plan/Biennial Regional Services Strategic Plan
Notice of Public Hearing to take Public Testimony
Biennial Public Meetings

The Child Protection Service Plan/Biennial Regional Service Strategic Plan is prepared bi-annually pursuant to IC 21-33-4-1 and IC 31-26-6-5. The Department of Child Services is seeking Public Testimony on the provision of child protection services, local service need and system change. The services will be targeted to the individual needs of children identified by the Department of Child Services or children alleged or adjudicated as children in need of services or delinquent.
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Louisville tops Miami 38-31 to clinch spot in championship

BY TIM REYNOLDS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — Louisville left with the Schnellenberger Trophy. The Cardinals now can eye a bigger prize.

Jack Plummer threw three touchdown passes, the last of them a 58-yarder to Kevin Coleman with 4:17 remaining, and No. 9 Louisville hung on at the last second to clinch a spot in the Atlantic Coast Conference title game by beating Miami 38-31 on Saturday.

Coleman ended up wide open after Miami defenders Te'Cory Couch and Jaden Davis collided at full speed as the play was developing, and he went down the right sideline with the go-ahead score for the Cardinals (10-1, 7-1 ACC, No. 10 CFP). It's the first ACC title game berth for the Cardinals, who'll play Florida State in Charlotte on Dec. 2 for the league crown.

"This is a big win," said Louisville coach Jeff Brohm, who returned to his alma mater after taking Purdue to the Big Ten Conference title game a year ago. "To come down to Miami and win a game with a lot riding on it, it's a great feeling."

Plummer finished 24 of 37 for 308 yards for the Cardinals, those catches getting made by 12 different receivers. Offensive lineman Trevonte Sylvester had a touchdown catch, as did Nate Kurinsky.

"We're trying to find any way possible to score," Plummer said.

Isaac Guerendo had 93 rushing yards and a score for Louisville, and Evan Conley — a quarterback who hasn't thrown a pass since 2021 — came in to score on a keeper for the Cardinals.

There were 176 voters in the ACC preseason poll, and none picked Louisville to win the conference.

"Nobody expected us to be here," Louisville cornerback Quincy Riley said.

Mark Fletcher rushed for 126 yards and two touchdowns for Miami (6-5, 2-5 ACC). Van Dyke, back in the starting role after freshman Emory Williams got hurt in last week's loss to Florida State, completed 24 of 39 passes for 327 yards.

The last 45 of Van Dyke's yards came on the game's final play, when his Hail Mary from midfield was batted around and ended up in the hands of Xavier Restrepo — who was tackled at the 5, with no time left.

Restrepo finished with eight catches for 193 yards, by far a career best. Miami also had a 4th-and-goal from the Louisville 3 with 1:29 left, but Van Dyke's pass sailed just out of Jacolby George's reach in the end zone.

"Close isn't good enough," Miami coach Mario Cristobal said. "Credit to their offense. They did some things that were very challenging. We've got to find a way to get better."

The added bonus for the Cardinals: possession of the new Schnellenberger Trophy, a bronzed pair of actual cowboy boots that Howard Schnellenberger — who coached both Miami and Louisville — wore during his career. Brohm accepted the trophy from Beverlee Schnellenberger, the wife of the coach who died in March 2021.

"He gave a lot to our university, gave a lot to Miami, gave a lot to a lot of other places," Brohm said of Schnellenberger, whom he both coached for and played for. "Because of him, all these programs are relevant."

THE TAKEAWAY

Louisville: The Cardinals were the second FBS team this season to miss a field goal of closer than 30 yards and an extra point in the same game; Kansas State did it against UCF on Sept. 23. Louisville kicker Brock Travelstead missed a 24-yarder, then had a PAT blocked, both in the second quarter. Nick Lopez came on in the third quarter and kicked a 40-yard field goal for a 23-21 lead.

Miami: Kam Kinchens, an All-American last season after intercepting six passes, got his fifth interception of the year on Saturday. The 11 interceptions in Kinchens' career tie for eighth-most in Hurricanes history and are the most by a Miami player since Sean Taylor had 14 picks from 2001 through 2003.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

Louisville likely needs a lot of help to get into the College Football Playoff, but the Cardinals still have hope. A rivalry game next week against Kentucky and then the ACC title game against Florida State (TV Live on ABC at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2) will give Louisville two more chances to make a serious impression.

UP NEXT

Louisville hosts Kentucky on Nov. 25 to end regular season (TV: Live at noon on ABC).

LEGAL

STATE OF INDIANA
OUNTY OF JEFFERSON
IN THE JEFFERSON CUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO. 39D01-2310-DC-941
Mayra A. Sanchez
Petitioner
v.
Norman J. Matute-Flores
Respondent

Summons

The State of Indiana to Respondent: Norman J. Matute-Flores
You have been sued by your spouse for dissolution of marriage. The case is pending in the Court named above.
If this Summons is accompanied by an Order Setting Hearing, you must appear in Court on the date and time stated on the Order Setting Hearing. IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR, EVIDENCE MAY BE HEARD AND A DECISION MAY BE MADE BY THE COURT. If a Temporary Restraining Order is issued, it is effective immediately upon your receipt or knowledge of the Order.
If you wish to retain an attorney to represent you in the matter, it is advisable to do so before the date stated on the Notice of Provisional Hearing. If you take no action in this case after receipt of this Summons, the Court can grant a Dissolution of Marriage and/or make determinations that may include but not limited to any of the following: paternity, child custody, child support, maintenance, parenting time, property (real or personal), and other distribution of assets and debts, attorney fees and costs.
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LEGAL

This matter, having come before the Court on the Motion pursuant to I.C. 29-1-10-15.5, to Appoint Rodia Blanton as Special Administrator of the Estate of Charles Steele, for the sole purpose of pursuing a wrongful death claim, the Court hereby orders that this matter be set for a hearing on: January 24, 2024, at 11:00 A.M in the Jefferson County Circuit Court.
If no objection to Blanton's appointment as special administrator of the estate for purpose of pursuing a wrongful death claim is filed with this Court at least fourteen days prior to the hearing date then Rodia Blanton can move this Court to summarily appoint her to the position.
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Houser, Carr hook up late to rally Spartans past Hoosiers 24-21

BY MICHAEL MAROT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BLOOMINGTON — Michigan State tight end Maliq Carr spent four seasons envisioning the perfect ending.

It finally arrived Saturday at Indiana.

Carr caught eight passes for 88 yards, using his 6-foot-6, 260-pound body to bounce off defenders for his second score of the game — a 36-yard catch-and-run with 1:19 left — to rally the Spartans past the Hoosiers 24-21.

"Maliq is a baller, we all know that here," interim coach Harlon Barnett said after celebrating his second career win. "He's a really good football player. Just ask him, he'll tell you."

Carr certainly did his part, establishing career-highs in all three categories on a day the short-handed Spartans (4-7, 2-6 Big Ten) had only 45 scholarship players available and lost more during the game.

But he certainly didn't win this one by himself.

Quarterback Katin Houser threw for 245 yards and three TDs, both career bests. Montorie Foster Jr. finished with seven receptions for 93 yards on his second-best career day while scoring the Spartans other TD. And the Spartans got their first road win this season by reclaiming the Old Brass Spittoon.

Michigan State still has not lost consecutive games to the Hoosiers (3-8, 1-7) since the late 1960s.

But for Indiana and coach Tom Allen, the bitter ending was filled with frustration. Quarterback Brendan Sorsby drew an intentional grounding call with 7 seconds to go because he and receiver E.J. Williams Jr. were not on the same page. The ensuing 6-yard penalty forced Chris Freeman into a 48-yard field goal to force overtime. He missed it wide right.

"I know what I can't say at this moment," Allen said on his postgame radio show. "But the kids in the locker room deserve better."

That's how Barnett has felt about his team most of this season, too, and it looked like this one would be different right from the start when Houser and Carr hooked up on a 17-yard score to make it 7-0.

Indiana tied the score on Trent Howland's 4-yard touchdown run midway through the second quarter, but Foster broke the tie with spectacular one-handed grab inside the Hoosiers 20-yard line, then made several defenders miss on his way to a 29-yard TD catch with 1:10 left in the first half.

Sorsby's 3-yard TD pass to James Bomba on the first drive of the second half tied the score, and the Hoosiers pulled ahead 21-17 when Sorsby found Trey Walker with 4:06 to play.

But Carr had a plan and delivered the answer.

"We needed to win, so we got it," he said. "Everybody came together, I'm proud of everybody."

THE TAKEAWAY

Michigan State: A tough season finally got a little sweeter for Barnett & Co. Michigan State avoided its first one-win conference season since 2016 and after next week will embark on a coaching search.

Indiana: The Hoosiers have been competitive in four straight games, but they've lost three. This one hurts badly because of the way it finished — and the questions that will be asked of Allen's decision not to try 44-yard field goal on fourth-and-1.

INJURY REPORT

Michigan State: Some of the new injuries include starting center Nick Samac, who was carted from the sideline to the locker room after hurting his left leg; defensive lineman Brandon Wright, who was carted off the field after appearing to hurt his right leg in the fourth quarter; and running back Nate Carter, who did not return after leaving with another injury in the third quarter.

Indiana: Howland left twice, first with a shoulder injury and later after getting flipped on his head. Howland did not return the second time. Walker (hand) and running back Josh Henderson (shoulder) also left in the second half.

BY THE NUMBERS

Michigan State: The road team has won four straight in this border-state rivalry. ... Michigan State rushed 34 times for 72 yards and was outgained 402-317.

Indiana: Sorsby finished 19 of 34 with 192 yards and two TDs while rushing 12 times for 65 yards. ... Howland had 19 carries for 77 yards and one TD, his second of the season. ... Henderson had 13 carries for 74 yards.

UP NEXT

Indiana will try to reclaim the Old Oaken Bucket Saturday at Purdue (**TV:** Live on BTN at noon).

Newton helps No. 5 UConn pull away from IU 77-57

BY LARRY FLEISHER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Tristen Newton had 23 points and 11 rebounds and No. 5 UConn pulled away in the second half for a 77-57 victory over Indiana on Sunday in the Empire Classic at Madison Square Garden.

After winning their first three games by an average of 39 points, the Huskies (4-0) got their fourth double-digit win thanks largely to Newton, who also had six assists.

"I thought he was great," Huskies coach Dan Hurley said. "It's not much not to like. He was the best player in the national championship game in front of 75,000 people with all the money on the table. Coming into MSG in an atmosphere like this, for him it's exciting, but he's an accomplished player."

Five days after being held to 10 points against Mississippi Valley, Newton made 7 of 16 shots. He finished two shy of his career high for rebounds and drew 10 fouls.

"They rely on me to be aggressive," Newton said. "They have a trust in me to go out and perform how I feel like I need to perform."

Cam Spencer added 18 points for the defending national champions, who led for the final 33:21 in their first meeting against Indiana since 2019. Alex Karaban scored 13 and Donavan Clingan grabbed nine rebounds as UConn shot 44.6% and outrebounded Indiana 44-22.

Malik Reneau led the Hoosiers (3-1) with 18 points. He helped Indiana stay within striking distance by scoring 15 in the first half but fouled out with seven minutes left.

Reneau had little help. Leading scorer Kel'el Ware was held to 11 points on 2-of-10 shooting as Indiana shot 37.8% and also gave up 15 offensive rebounds.

"It was glaring tonight that we got out toughed," Indiana coach Mike Woodson said.

The Huskies took their first double-digit lead at 26-15 on Newton's 3-pointer with 6:10 remaining in the first half and held a 35-21 lead on Karaban's layup with 2:25 to go. Reneau hit two free throws and converted a 3-point play in the final two minutes to get Indiana within 37-30 by halftime.

Newton was fouled by Reneau on a layup that made it 52-43 with 12:29 to go. With Reneau on the bench because of his fourth foul, the Huskies opened a 58-44 lead on two free throws by Spencer with 10:02 left.

Reneau fouled out with 7:04 remaining and the Hoosiers down 58-48. The Huskies finished it off as Spencer hit a 3 and a floater for a 64-48 lead with about six minutes left.

"I was really impressed with how we separated today," Hurley said.

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Porter scores 2 touchdowns, Northwestern beats Purdue

BY SCOTT HELD
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EVANSTON, Ill. — Northwestern fans and students ran onto the field Saturday afternoon to celebrate a victory. Such a home finale didn't seem likely for the Wildcats a few months ago.

Cam Porter scored a pair of rushing touchdowns to help Northwestern become bowl-eligible with a 23-15 win over visiting Purdue.

After starting the season under the cloud of a hazing scandal and subsequent firing of longtime head coach Pat Fitzgerald, the Wildcats (6-5, 4-4 Big Ten) are writing an unlikely but happy ending.

"It's been an incredible week," Northwestern coach David Braun said. "We accomplished something special today."

Braun, made interim head coach this summer after Fitzgerald's dismissal, got his first win as head coach. The school promoted him Thursday.

Ben Bryant (13-of-24 passing, 230 yards) hit Cam Johnson in stride for a 52-yard touchdown late in the third quarter to retake the momentum after Purdue (3-8, 2-6) scored to cut the lead to 9-6.

"It's a really good feeling," Bryant said. "All the things we've been through and how far we've come; it's really something to be proud of."

Porter (17 carries, 95 yards) gave Northwestern the lead for good with a 7-yard touchdown on its first possession and added a 34-yard scamper early in the fourth quarter.

The Boilermakers scratched starting quarterback Hudson Card hours before kickoff and rarely caught a break against a Northwestern defense that came up big when most needed. The Wildcats stopped a pair of fourth-down tries and had a pair of takeaways in the first half to lead 6-0 at intermission, then recovered a muffed punt early in the second half that led to a short field goal.

"I knew moving the ball and trying to get points was going to be difficult during the game," first-year Purdue coach Ryan Walters said. "We got down to the 1-yard line two times, and couldn't get in there."

Linebacker Xander Mueller sealed the victory with an interception of Ryan Browne at the Northwestern 30 with 19 seconds left.

"It gives us a ton of confidence," Johnson said of the defense's first-half effort. "It allows us to play loose knowing we're going to get the ball back quickly."

Tyrone Tracy Jr. had 160 yards on 16 carries and scored a touchdown for Purdue, which has lost five of six.

EXTREME MAKEOVER?

Ryan Field, Northwestern's football home for almost a century, might look a lot different the next time the Wildcats run out of the tunnel. The Evanston City Council is scheduled to vote Monday on the school's proposed demolition and erection of a new stadium on the site. The university already has moved spring commencement from the stadium to the United Center on the city's west side.

"Knowing this might be Ryan Field's last game certainly made it special," said Johnson, who had three catches for 88 yards.

AT LEAST IT DIDN'T SNOW

It would've been hard to blame fans for hitting the exits at halftime. The teams combined to go 4 for 14 on third down and each missed a field goal. Northwestern surrendered five sacks in the opening half while Purdue fumbled twice.

BOWL STREAK

An expected postseason berth would be Northwestern's first since the 2020 season, when the Wildcats defeated Auburn in the Citrus Bowl. The school would be seeking its fifth straight bowl win and Braun would be just the fifth coach to guide the Wildcats to a bowl game.

QB SHUFFLE

Redshirt Bennett Meredith made his first career start in place of Card but the lion's share of snaps ended up going to fellow freshman Ryan Browne, who ended the day 12 for 16 for 104 yards and two interceptions.

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